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Old Mother Badluck Hits Kushequa Hard First Days of Year

Famous Railway Scores a Record for Misfortunes and Ability to Overcome Them; Road Maintains Service Despite Series of Embarrassments; Crew Has Busy Week.

The famous Kushequa railroad, one of Smethport's most dependable mail and transport agencies, scored a record for misfortunes and skill to overcoming them since January 1, the story of which serves to prove the old adage that "truth is stranger than fiction."

It was during the first half of the first day of the New Year that old Mother Badluck vented her spleen on the Kushequa—for what reason, no one knows. "Theodore Roosevelt," the old reliable, listed as Locomotive No. 13, proved the first victim of her malevolence, when, westward bound for Backus and other points with a goodly load, he, "Theodore Roosevelt," suffered a fracture of the front axle of his driving gear, which necessitated rushing him to the B. R. & P. hospital at DuBois for repairs.

Regarding the accident as simply one of many vicissitudes to which a railroad is subjected, the Kushequa management immediately substituted Locomotive No. 109 for the injured "Theodore" and all was going as smoothly as goose grease flowing through a tin horn elevated at an angle of 45 degrees, when all at once something happened. Locomotive No. 109 appeared to be in distress and examination revealed that the distress was acute. The engineer, noted for his ability as a diagnositican, pronounced the disorder, "a busted main frame," and such it proved to be. Unaccustomed to the heavy grade on this end of the line, No. 109 had toiled so hard and so faithfully withal that she literally pulled herself apart. Tender hands, however, released her from her load, and as tenderly conveyed her to a ward in the hospital alongside that occupied by the wounded "Theodore Roosevelt."

Viewing her injuries of minor importance, however, the hospital surgeon subjected No. 109 to an immediate operation and by dint of welding her broken frame, had her in apple pie order and all ready for delivery by the next day. In the meantime a locomotive from the Valley railway performed service for the Kushequa. With the arrival of the seemingly fully rejuvenated No. 109, however, the Valley locomotive was returned to the source from which it was borrowed.

Coupled up to the same old train and with practically the same load, No. 109 was steaming merrily o'er the grade, when a "Gosh dern the fool luck!" from the engineer, supplemented by a bang of the throttle and a sudden stop of the train, bespoke another accident or injury. Dismounting from the cab, the engineer with the assistance of the crew probed the vitals of No. 109 only to find that she had "busted" her frame again, this time, however, in another place. But it didn't take long for help to arrive, for the wrecking crew, having had considerable practice within the short space of from 60 to 72 hours, was getting used to it. What was to be done, however, was the question.

Just as the men uncoupled No. 109 and were preparing to rush her to the hospital for a second time, there came the heartening news from the DuBois hospital that "Theodore Roosevelt" had made a surprising recovery during the night and was on his way home and to work. A few hours later "Theodore" was on the scene all ready to essay the grade, whatever the load might happen to be. Thoroughly rejuvenated, "Theodore Roosevelt" has been on the job ever since.

Despite this record chapter of accidents, however, covering as it did a period of several days, the Kushequa operated every day, missing only four runs. All shipments consigned to it were cared for, and save for the road's officials and members of the train and wrecking crew, apparently no one was aware of the embarrassments suffered by the Kushequa.

Mr. Thomas E. Moulton, new superintendent of the Kushequa, who was associated with President Elisha K. Kane in the old lumber days, is the man who is given credit for bringing order out of chaos resulting from the manifold accidents. By Mr. Kane he is regarded as one of the greatest "emergency men" extant.

KUSHEQUA STILL HOPES FOR MOTOR-RAIL CAR AND IMPROVED SERVICE.

Inadequate horse power, plus a manifest unwillingness on the part of the manufacturers to increase it, was the cause of the rejection of the White motor-rail car, tested recently by the Kushequa railway management with a view to providing better service on that line.

According to Hon. Elisha K. Kane, president of the Kushequa, who was a Smethport visitor, Monday, the car was all right in every way except that of horse-power. Although equipped with a 50 horse-power engine, it failed to negotiate the grades o fthe Kushequa in keeping with the new time schedule and for that reason was rejected.

Mr. Kane, however, has not given up hope of finding a gas-propelled car that will meet with his requirements. He says that the Kushequa management is in communication with manufacturers and that it is his hope to make announcement of a successful motor-rail car in the near future.

FIRE SIREN DAMAGED, IS SENT TO FACTORY.

Smethport is minus one fire siren. For the reason that the old mechanical bird failed to screech with its accustomed vigor last Sunday evening when "central" received the news of the fire in East Smethport, an investigation was made with the result of finding a burned fuse and windings. Following this discovery the siren was taken down from its perch and sent to the Rochester factory from whence it came for repairs. While awaiting its return the fire laddies will depend upon the old bell for future alarms. The cause of the damage to the siren is not known. Borough officials say that it may have been due to some one's negligence or a fault on the part of its makers.

CARD OF THANKS.

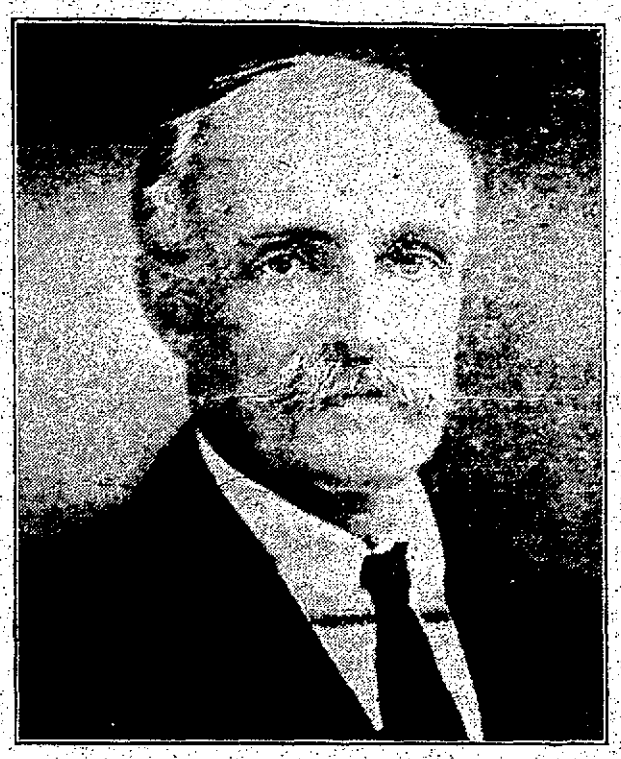
To the many kind friends who gave of their assistance during our bereavement occasioned by the loss of our husband and father, George Howe, we take this method of extending our sincere and heartfelt thanks.

Mrs. Lydia Howe and Family.

PANHANDLE RAILROAD PUTS ON AN EMBARGO.

Effective Monday January 15, the Pennsylvania railroad of the Northern division; Central region, bounded on the east by Renova, on the south by Kiski Junction, on the west by Oil City and Erie, and on the north by Rochester and Buffalo, placed an embargo on all freight in carload and less carload lots, with the exception of perishable freight, fuel and coal and freight consigned to the U. S. government. The embargo is imperative because of congestion at Pennsylvania terminals, and although it will work hardship, the Railroad company announces that this is the only way to straighten out matters.

IT'S GOVERNOR PINCHOT, NOW



Gifford Pinchot was formally inaugurated governor of Pennsylvania, Tuesday. The ceremony, simple in the extreme, was in strict keeping with Mr. Pinchot's promises of economy. A large crowd, however, witnessed the exercises and many of the leading Republican clubs of the state appeared in what proved to be a surprising procession in view of the governor's well-known objection to ostentation and display.

The inaugural address was brief but incisive, embodying such features as driving all the saloons out of Pennsylvania, preventing and punishing bootlegging, maintaining and securing good laws for the protection of workingmen and women, safeguarding the industries of the state and promoting their property, advancing the interests of the farmers, giving Pennsylvania's children the best schools in America, maintaining a direct primary and protecting the right of women voters, meeting the just needs of World war veterans, revising and equalizing taxation, keeping state expenses within income, getting a dollar's worth of service for every dollar spent.

SNOW-FILLED HIGHWAYS PROVE NO EMBARASSMENT TO PORT ALLEGANY SQUIRE

Impassable highways, belated trains and other discouragments having to do with travel have no effect upon Martin Teeters, justice of the peace of Port Allegany, who, seeking to visit Smethport, Tuesday, and return home the same day, fairly laughed at snowdrifts, suggestions of delayed buses and trains, bad connections and the like, and turned the trick while sympathetic friends both in Port Allegany and Smethport were wondering if they wouldn't be called upon to go to his assistance. But it took some tall figuring and skillful manoeuvering to do it.

As the story goes, Squire Teeters left Port Allegany Tuesday, by way of West Eldred, where, taking a Shawmut train, he made the trip to Smethport with but little if any effort. Arriving in Smethport, however, kind friends informed him that he was strictly up against it in the matter of getting back on that particular day and date, the kind friends as aforesaid instancing the impassable condition of the highways in support of their argument.

"Well, if the Bradford bus is running, I'll be home tonight," was all the Squire had to say—and as good fortune would have it, he was one of several passengers who was lucky enough to leave Smethport before the big blizzard broke and closed the road.

Arriving in Bradford, the Squire boarded an Erie railroad train for Olean by way of Salamanca. At Olean he took the Pennsy for Port Allegany, arriving in time to call up his anxious friends in Smethport and wish them a glorious Fourth of July.

Then the friends began to figure and this is how they did it: Port Allegany to Smethport via Eldred, 24 miles; Smethport to Bradford, 18 miles; Bradford to Olean, via of Salamanca, 28 miles; Olean to Port Allegany, 28 miles. Total 98 miles. Distance from Port Allegany to Smethport via highway, 12 miles.

Sanoks! The Squire had traveled 98 miles in order to reach his home 12 miles away.

Followed some comment, numerous laughs and many congratulations.

FARMERS VALLEY BOOM PREDICTED WHEN NEW OIL REFINERY STARTS UP

If all signs read aright, Farmers Valley bids fair to take on all the symptoms of a "boom" town within the next few months. For the reason that a new oil refinery of large proportions is to be built there this spring, a goodly demand for town lots is on, a number of workmen engaged to operate the plant having signified their intention to start building at once. It is said that with the opening of spring the construction of some 30 new residence properties will be undertaken, and that the company intends to build quite a number of homes for those of its workmen who cannot afford to do so. As a result Farmers Valley land-owners are looking for a decided enhancement in reality.

Plans for the construction of a dyke near the Cole Creek bridge and macadam road are under consideration by the refinery concern, officials of which realize the necessity of making some provision to counteract the floods to which their newly-acquired land purchase has been subjected from season to season—an undertaking, which, in the opinion of those familiar with the topography of that section, will require great engineering skill.

Around the "cracker barrel" in Farmers Valley these cool nights both predictions and bets are made that ere another half decade goes by, Farmers Valley will rival Smethport in point of population.

Miss Alice Irons, who has been working at Masser's Dry Goods Store, has accepted a position in John B. Eastman's office in the court house.

Smethport is Visited By Terrific Blizzard; Roads Impassable!

Bradford Bus Line Quits After Heroic Endeavors; Borough Snowbound on All Sides; Thermometer Hits Zero Wednesday Morning Following Fierce North Wind.

The terrific blizzard of Tuesday night, which raged from 8 o'clock until the midnight hour, completed the work of blockading every highway leading into and out of Smethport.

Wednesday morning found the Smethport-Bradford road so filled with drifts as to render it impassable. In consequence the Bradford-Smethport bus line suspended operations and the report is current that the owners of the line, having expended over $300 since Sunday last to keep the road clear, have ceased from the work until such time as assurance of state aid is given or the people living along the highway make manifest a real desire to co-operate in the work.

Wednesday morning trains on all railroads were from one to two hours late.

Tuesday night's big storm was one of the worst Smethport has experienced in years. A high north wind fairly lifted the snow from roofs and hills and blew it about in every direction. Between 8:30 and 10 o'clock Tuesday night Smethport was the scene of one of the biggest blizzards Mother Nature ever staged. With snow whirling in every direction it oft-times was difficult to see beyond the space of several yards, with the result that those in the streets at the time found it extremely difficult to find their way. With the thermometer registering 22 above at 7 p. m., the descent was so rapid when the "norther" took command that it hit the zero mark at midnight, where it continued until 7 a. m. At 3:45 a. m. the thermometer in front of Strong's plumbing establishment registered one dekree above zero.

Although Wednesday morning dawned bright and fair, the weather continued cold with no prospect of an early thaw.

What's the matter with Smethport? Why, Smethport's snowbound.

Following the greatest snowfall in three years, which started early Sunday morning, the situation this morning finds every highway leading into and out of Smethport so well filled with the white, flaky element as to render it impassable. Up to and including Tuesday evening the Smethport-Bradford road, was kept open by means of snow plows operated by the Latham bus line of Bradford and the oil men of Colevillo and Rew City.

The heavy snowfall of Sunday morning which assumed the proportions of a small sized blizzard ere the noon hour, held up every form of traffic save that of the railway trains, which reached their destination only after the tracks had been cleared by plows. Since that time plows have been busy on every line in this section.

The Bradford-Smethport bus failed to arrive Sunday until 4 o'clock p. m. Coupled up with another bus, and pushing a heavy plow, it had fairly forced its way over the road, consuming the better part of the afternoon in doing so. The men were weary and hungry on their arrival, but after a short respite struck out for Bradford intent upon widening the track.

This work the Latham bus employes have been compelled to perform every day since Sunday, and at considerable expense. Undaunted by the elements, they kept the way open and maintained a service that speaks volumes for their courage and enterprise.

The fierce blizzard of Tuesday night, however, which piled drifts from six to ten feet high in all the roads and sealed thermometers down to zero and below, taxed the Latham bus concern just a trifle too much and compelled the manager to call upon all people living along the roadway to assist him in clearing it and keeping it clear. For the reason that it cost the Latham company $86 to blaze the way from Bradford to Smethport last Sunday and has cost a proportionate sum to keep the road clear since that time, some idea of the monumental task of the Lathams may be gleaned.

Keeping the road open is a matter that is strictly up to the people. The state highway deparment does not contribute any money for such purposes.

Marvin Creek, Betula and Port Allegany roads—in fact all other roads—are reported to be so thoroughly packed with snow and big rifts that all hope of early travel has been abandoned. This condition, however, exists throughout all the northern tier of counties, the only highways open being a few of the improved variety which have been treated with snow plows.

With continued cold weather predicted and with "long distance" observers predicting a cold and stormy month throughout, there is little hope of any material alleviation of congested roads for some weeks to come. All now depends on the railroads and their ability to cope with storm and blizzard.

OLD-TIME RESIDENTS OF SMETHPORT WRITE INTERESTING LETTERS.

Two letters—both from far-off California—one from Mrs. Adda Burch of Los Angeles, the other from Mrs. F. J. Vickery of Glendora—were received by The Miner the past week, and for the reason that they are addressed to local friends as well as The Miner, we take pleasure in publishing them. They follow:

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 9, '23

Editor Miner: Enclosed find money order, for which please renew my subscription. I would not like to do without The Miner, for I have taken it ever since I taught in Smethport, and I still retain my interest in the people there, and especially my former pupils.

I am delighted to see that you were successful in getting electricity, and something more than a vote of thanks should be forthcoming from the good people.

It may please you and your readers to learn that Dr. E. E. Helm, formerly pastor of Smethport M. E. church, is now pastor of the First Methodist church and is now doing magnificent work. We expect to enter a big new church the finest Methodist church in California, and all paid for—in the near future.

The weather is almost as hot as summer; trees are budding prematurely.

I am in excellent health and quite busy. Kindly give my best regards to all who may remember me.

ADDA BURCH.
131 South Manhattan.

Glendora, Cal., Jan. 10, '23.

Editor Miner: Please renew my subscription to your valuable paper. We cannot get along without it. I want to thank you for the nice article you wrote about me some time ago. I have some friends in Smethport and I want them to know that I still have an interest in, and regard for, them.

Wishing your and your readers a happy and prosperous New Year, I remain. Yours sincerely,

MRS. F. J. VICKERY.

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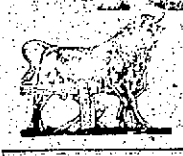

GENUINE "BULL" DURHAM TOBACCO

LARABEE

Mrs. R. H. Nichols was in Olean Wednesday having dental work done.

Eros H. Carpenter was a business visitor in Smethport Saturday.

Miss Luelle McKelvey was visiting relatives in Clarksville last week.

J. T. Johnson was a business visitor in Turtle Point, Saturday.

Gerard McKelvey is ill with influenza at Port Allegany.

Mrs. Charles Canfield was a week end guest of relatives in Smethport.

Dr. G. P. Meecham visited the Sartwell school Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Nichols and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Brooder were business visitors in Bradford Monday.

C. J. Carey and Charles Canfield were business visitors in Smethport, Thursday.

Norman Knapp was a business visitor in Port Allegany, Saturday.

Miss Katherine Dailey has returned home from a two weeks visit with friends in Olean and Buffalo, N. Y.

J. L. Raszmann of Crosby was the guest of his mother, Mrs. Lena Raszmann and family here, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Haynes of Sartwell were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Haynes, Wednesday.

Quite a number from here attended the dance at the Indian Creek Hall Friday evening.

Mr. LeVine of Newcastle was a business visitor in town, Monday.

Mrs. Raymond Rice of Olean was in town, Saturday.

Eros Carpenter was a business visitor in Turtle Point one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Brooder and daughter, Miss Ella Brooder were Eldred visitors, Saturday.

Miss Eich Carpenter has returned home from Pittsburgh and is assisting Mrs. Francis Wheeler of Indian Creek with her housework.

Tom Mulvaney was an Eldred visitor, Saturday.

Mrs. Olive Dunn of Coryville is visiting Mr. F. D. Pendleton.

Mrs. Milton Childs and children were Eldred visitors Thursday.

Born, January 7, to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Colosimo, a baby pound daughter, Vivian Jane. Ira Huff is in attendance and Mrs. Coleman's mother, Mrs. Louis Cuzle of Eldred is acting as nurse.

Mrs. Peterson has returned home from and extended visit in Erie, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Brooder and daughter, Miss Ella Brooder, were business visitors in Port Allegany Wednesday.

Several families in Sartwell and Larabee are ill with the grippe.

CROSBY

Mrs. Chas. Dinges and Mrs. P. Walters were Smethport shoppers Monday.

Miss Ora McAlee and Miss Margaret Evans spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Small of Smethport.

Mr. H. S. Gahagan of Erie was visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hendrickson recently.

The 7th and 8th grade, with their teacher, Miss Sara Oliver, had a sleigh ride to Smethport, Friday evening. A good time was reported by all.

The Colegrove "Sports" defeated the Hazelhurst High school boys at a game in the I. O. R. M. hall, Saturday evening. Score 32-17. The "Sports" have been very successful this year, as they have not been defeated in any of the games which they have played, and we hope that they will continue to be successful throughout the season.

Mrs. John Kilcoin was a Bradford visitor, Monday. Her husband John Kilcoin, is a patient in the Bradford hospital.

Mrs. I. G. Wilcox was a Smethport visitor, Friday.

Mrs. John Abbey and son, Waldo, of Colegrove, were visiting in Port Allegany the former part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gallup were Buffalo visitors, Friday.

Mrs. James Bloomster and Mrs. Frank Bloomster were the guests of Mrs. Adolph Johnson of Smethport, Saturday.

Mr. H. S. Gahagan was a Smethport shopper, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Matteson and family are occupying their house on Main Street, which was vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Johnson some time past.

Mr. Francis Acre has returned to his home in Port Allegany after spending some time with his aunt, Mrs. Enos Grover, of this place.

The Misses Frances Hendrickson and Edna Bloomster gave a party in honor of Evelyn Bloomster, Friday evening, at her home. Luncheon was served for sixteen.

Mr. George Winslow was a Smethport shopper, Friday.

A sleigh load from Betula attended the game between the "Sports" and the Hazelhurst High school team, Saturday night.

COLEGROVE

Mrs. C. M. Benson was an Olean visitor the first part of the week.

Mrs. Hazen of Eldred was a visitor in town, last week.

N. A. Emig has been on the sick list.

Mrs. Eisenhauth and daughter were Crosby visitors, Friday night.

A. G. McAllister was a Smethport visitor, Friday night.

The "Sports" played Hazelhurst High at Crosby Saturday night. The Sports won by a score of 36 to 29.

F. F. Kane was a Smethport visitor, Wednesday.

Lawrence Herzog was a Farmers Valley visitor, Thursday.

Glen Chandler of Olean was a visitor in town over Sunday.

Mrs. Elsie Smith was a Smethport visitor, Saturday.

Mrs. Wm. Dodge was a Colegrove visitor, Saturday.

Mrs. Frank Stranberg and son, Creed, were Smethport visitors, Tuesday.

F. F. Kane and son, Richard were Smethport visitors, Tuesday.

Mrs. G. E. Davis was a Smethport visitor, Tuesday.

R. N. Wilson was a Smethport visitor Monday.

WEEKLY COURT RECORD

JANUARY 10 TO 17, 1923.

Deeds.

James T. Powell and wife to Louis Colosimo, Bradford, $1.

Bessie Mias and husband to Charles A. Anderson, Norwich, $600.

Mary L. Moses to Raymond J. Wright and wife, Eldred, $1.

Mereyanna Malanoski to Frank Malanoski and wife, Bradford, $1.

Robert Cotter and wife to Earl L. Matherii and wife, Port Allegany, $3000.

George G. Williams to Hartford-Penn National Bank, Norwich, $1.

Samuel W. Smith and wife to Joseph P. O'Connor, Port Allegany, $200.

Margaret Harlow and husband to Arden Kewley and wife, Bradford, $1.

C. Samuel and wife to T. E. Hanley, Bradford, $1.

Zella E. Kane Exrx to Louis Anderson, Kane, $1.

Louis Anderson and wife to Myrtle Jascayuski, Kane, $1.

Edward Powell to Clayton Grimes, Liberty Twp. $800.

Charlotte Kaisler and husband to C. D. Lorah and wife, Bradford, $1.

Mortgages.

Archie L. O'Neil et al to Katherine E. Schauer, Bradford, $2100.

John R. Walters to R. C. Lloyd et al, Foster township, $2000.

J. D. Menkes to Bradford Building, Loan and Saving Association, Bradford, $3000.

Ethel A. Jack to Anna H. Todd, Bradford, $1500.

John A. Hooper to Kate Schoonover, Bradford, $4000.

R. E. Diehem to Louise Diehm, Guardian, Keating township, $4000.

Myrtle Jurazynski to Kane Trust & Saving Company, Kane, $650.

Delbert A. Green and wife to Federal Land Bank, Baltimore, Bradford township, $1500.

Henry W. Kyler to McKean Co. Building & Loan Association, Bradford, $500.

George Martin to F. D. Hall, Bradford, $4580.

N. T. Jacobson to McKean County Building & Loan Association, Bradford, $1000.

Elizabeth W. Raub and husband to McKean County Trust Co., Otto township, $4000.

Mortgages.

Ormanda Hackett, Guardian to Leon L. Hackett and wife, Bradford, $1000.

Kane Firemans Relief Association to Kane Lodge 329, B. P. O. E. Kane, $5000.

Isaac E. Boring to Daisy I Wagner and husband, Bradford, $1500.

Evelyn A. Keith sur. Tr. to B. F. Coldwell, Bradford, $1500.

Samuel Phillips to Samuel E. Phillips, Bradford, $3000.

Rutland E. Dolley Exr. to Buel E. Allison, and wife, Port Allegany, $7500.

Allen Nash to Abe Goodman, Corydon Twp., $1500.

N. T. Jacobson to Grace Marku, Bradford, $500.

Agreement.

Kane Estate to Solomon Gruskin, Kane, $300.

Judgments.

Feb. Term, 1923, Primo Murro vs. Joseph Feracl, Margaret Feracl $1000.

Use E. B. Hooker vs. C. J. Slavin, $330.

H. W. Rubin vs. B. T. Garlick, $175.

H. W. Rubin & Son vs. B. T. Garlick, $260

Addie Barnaby vs. Ralph Barnaby, $595.50.

Bengt Anderson vs. Charles Anderson, $4273.15.

Pasquale Costiello vs. Gaetano Mongillo, $1050.

Pasquale Costiello vs. Gaetano Mongillo, $498.75.

New Suits.

Feb. Term, 1923, Petition of A. J. Drake to secure from Emma Ault et al a deed for lands in Eldred township.

Machias Sand and Gravel Co. vs. F. E. Shields Tr. et al Feigned Issue.

Same vs. The National Bank of Coatsville, Coatsville, Pa., et al. Feigned Issue.

Same vs. Charles M. Provin et al, Feigned Issue.

Same vs. Warren, Moore & Co., a Corp., et al. Feigned Issue.

Petition of John B. Walters to satisfy mortgage.

The R. T. Jones Lumber Co. a corp. vs. Walter J. Hall, Assumpsit.

The Star Publishing Company, a corp. vs. Julius Garfinkle, Appeal.

Executions.

February Term, 1923, James Pascarella vs. Clements Piscitelli, $308.70, Alias.

Bovaird & Company vs. Mary J. DeHario, $287.82.

NEW CONCRETE ROAD.

Residents of the Northern tier of counties are rejoicing over the fact that the contract for the new concrete road between Westfield and Knoxville will be let early in the spring. The new road will be of great benefit to the northern tier for there is no other territory in that vicinity in more need of road improvement than the six-miles between Westfield and Knoxville.

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WELL IF YOU THINK WE'D OUGHT TO WAIT TILL FULL MOON SO'S WE CAN SEE BETTER WHY I'M AGREEABLE JUST AS YOU SAY
THE GOLD DIGGERS

The Sale Goes on for 3 days more ending Saturday, Jan. 13

Here are a few items picked at random to show the unusually low prices on Merchandise at this sale.

Yard wide Light Percale, light 15c; dark 16c
75c Tissue Ginghams ..... 59c yd.

HOSIERY

All Womens Silk Hosiery 20 per cent off.

1 lot in particular, reduced—a fine foot silk at 59c a pair.

1 lot to close out at 79c

BLANKETS AND COMFORTS.

Just a few left ..... $1.89; $1.98 and $2.19

ALL WOOL BLANKETS

Large size 66 x 80 ..... $5.98

WOMEN'S WOOL UNDERWEAR

All the popular styles all selling at 20 % less.

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Think of it $6.98 a pair; $10.00 everywhere else.

35 Pairs of Women's Kid high top shoes $6.50 to $14.00 selling at $3.98

MEN'S WORK SHOES.

Heavy Brown double sole work shoes for one hour Thursday 9 to 10 ..... $1.89 pair.

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1917 Overland Touring.

1917 Haynes Touring.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Coudersport—George Mitchell who for five years has been superintendent of county highways, has resigned. Mr. Mitchell may accept a more lucrative position with Horn & Deviing, road contractors.

Kane—There were five automobiles stalled between Kane and James City Friday for several hours on account of the heavy snow and drifts. The cars had to be shoveled out before they could proceed, and then it was with great difficulty that they managed to get through the huge drifts.

Mt. Jewett—The Nansen school, with contents of furniture and school supplies was totally destroyed by fire about 6 o'clock Wednesday evening. The fire, which was of an unknown origin, entailed a loss of about $6,000, partly covered by insurance. It has not been decided whether the school will be rebuilt.

Coudersport—The Coudersport post office this week made one feel almost like fish worms and violets—in words, springlike. And the reason for feeling thusly, shipments of day-old chicks received via parcel post from Gamiller, Ohio and fresh strawberries from southern Illinois. The chicks were alive and kicking and were consigned to Mrs. T. C. Middletown on R. D. 6.

Sheffield—S. S. Taylor, vice president and director of the Sheffield National bank and field supervising auditor for the Horton-Gray company, committed suicide by shooting Friday morning, January 12. His body was found lying in the barn. Worry over business and continued ill health are the reasons assigned. He was 60 years of age.

Coudersport—Walter Sapper is alleged to be the most overpraising and wary bootlegger in existence and who is said has amassed considerable wealth by reason of his ability to dodge the police, was taken into custody last Saturday when he arrived from Roulette with his regular weekly supply for his customers, which also was seized. His fate will be decided by the next term of court.

Bradford—Five negroes were arrested Friday night, charged with theft of $105, the alleged being sworn to by Ivan Wayward, negro janitor of the Commercial National bank. They are John Delige and wife, Bradford; Henderson Richardson and wife, Olean, and John Robinson, Bradford. Wayward alleged that they enticed him into the Delige home and when he became intoxicated they frisked him of his bank roll.

Port Allegany—With the Mississippi Glass factory running to full capacity, with the machines in the Allegany Glass factory proving to be a success, with the Pierce Bottle factory adding a new gas engine and a new motor to give it more steady power and assurance of a more steady production, with the American Extract Company operating at a larger capacity than ever before, and with hopes that the tannery will be running before many months have passed, conditions in Port Allegany are considerably better now than they have been during the past year. There is practically no unemployment here now, and next spring and summer should see even a greater demand for labor.

CAPITALISTS PLANNING HUGE ELECTRIC MERGER FOR NORTHERN COUNTIES

Details of a master electric system spread out over nearly a fourth of the State from the New York line through Warren, Forest, Elk, Clearfield Clarion, Jefferson, Indiana, Cambria and Somerset counties and reaching as far west as Snow Shoe in Clearfield county and as far south as Confluence in Somerset county and west to the eastern line of Mercer county, were explained to the public service commission at Harrisburg, Friday. In making plain the reason why the Penn Public Service company of Johnstown wanted to buy $3,500,000 of the capital stock of the Warren Light and Power company, the Jefferson Electric company and the Dubois Traction company, officers of the Penn Public Service explained how the west en part of the state is doing its part in expanding the facilities of auto. A government engineer for a huge superpower system to take care of the ever-increasing demand for more current as well for factories and industrial plants, will be realized.

The big source of power for the system is to be the Clarion river dams the first of which is now being built, after more than ten years of planning and promotion. Several months ago the commission approved plans for this development for which Wall street has provided the money.

Purchase of the three companies, approval for which was asked yesterday will add Warren, Forest, Elk, Jefferson and Clearfield county territory to the company's control. As soon as formal orders have been issued by the commission authorizing the transfers, these companies will be merged into the Penn Public Service. For the capital stock of the three companies $3,500,000 subject to a few additions is to be paid. All of the 5,000 outstanding shares of the common stock are in Warren Light and Power company with franchise rights in the borough of Warren and into part of Forest county will be bought, but 800 shares of preferred capital stock will not be purchased. The 2,000 outstanding shares of common stock of the Jefferson Electric company will be bought, but 500 shares of preferred outstanding will not be taken over. The DuBois Electric and Traction company is a New Jersey corporation which controls the DuBois Electric company and the DuBois Traction company. All the capital stock of the New Jersey corporation except 45.9 shares of the common stock are included in the transfer.

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BIRD FEASTS ON LIVE SHEEP

Species of Parrot Is the Most Formidable Enemy of the New Zealand Farmer.

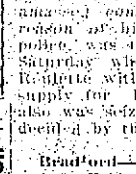
There is no other parrot like the kea. The power centered in its neck, beak and talons is so great that the kea is the most formidable pest with which the New Zealand sheep farmer has to contend. While soaring overhead it selects its prey, and, swooping downwards, settles on the sheep's back and proceeds to tear away the wool with its beak, then, digging deep into the flesh, holds on to the wool with its talons until thoroughly gorged.

When the first settlers came to New Zealand the kea was mainly a vegetarian, the animal part of its diet being confined to insects and grubs. It has been suggested that it acquired its taste for sheep flesh from the offal which the farmers left exposed after slaughtering a sheep.

And speaking of sheep in New Zealand, in the mountain districts there flourishes a plant known as the Raoulia, an vegetable sheep—a mass of closely packed twigs thickly covered with white, woolly leaves. Seen from a distance the Raoulia so closely resembles a sheep or a group of sheep, lying on the hillsides that shepherds are often led to make a long trek in the direction, mistaking it for lost members of their flock.

WERE BARBER AND SURGEON

Centuries Ago; Members of the Present Day Guild Embraced the Two Avocations.



The survival of the ancient guilds in London, long after their workshops have ceased to have any connection with trade, they ostensibly represent, is provided by the recent election of a shipmate of the Company of Barbers.

The new comrade never was a barber, and if any of his ancestors were he has forgotten it. And the same is true of all the members of the company. But they are very proud of the old traditions of the company and get together on stated occasions to eat a generous dinner, washed down with good wine, and listen to speeches about the good old times.

The company was incorporated in 1461 and fifty years later an act was passed which prevented any persons not members of the company from practicing surgery within seven miles of the city of London, unless they had been licensed by the bishop of London.

Barbers were versatile folk in those times, combining the avocations of surgeon and dentist with the work of trimming hair and beards.—From a London Letter to the New York Evening Post.

Owl Preys by Night.

The habits of animals are developed and regulated chiefly by their surroundings and by the sort of prey on which they live. Sea-gulls, for example, can dive a considerable distance under water and catch the fish which form their principal article of diet, while a chicken would starve to death if forced to depend upon this method of securing food. So it is with owls, which generally make their appearance only after dark. This species of birds feeds mainly upon mice and other small creatures which are active at night. Therefore, the owl, which has developed a soft plumage that makes its flight almost noiseless, comes out after sunset in search of its food. It is also because of this habit that the owl's eyes, like the cat's, are so made that the pupil can be dilated until the bird is able to make use of every particle of light available and, while owls cannot see in absolute darkness, they are able to utilize the faintest of light rays to such an extent that they can spot and catch their prey unerringly.

Wholesale Human Mutilation.

Forty thousand pairs of ears and 40,000 noses, the war trophies of that famous and painfully thorough Japanese General Hideyoshi, lie beneath the plain stone marker and grass-grown mound of the "Mimi-Zuka," or Ear tomb, a short distance from one of Kioto's main streets.

They were deposited there as evidence of the valor and success of Hideyoshi's expert carvers, and also to serve as emphatic warning of the fate all who crossed that determined warrior might expect.

The ears and noses are not, however, the bounty of any recent exploit. Hideyoshi was the strong man of Japan more than three centuries ago, and his gruesome trophies were once the valued property of 40,000 Koreans who had foolishly resisted the Japanese general's invasion of their native land.

His Name.

A Washington man, visiting Richmond, took a great fancy to a bright-eyed little darky who polished his shoes. Shortly after he became interested in the little chap, the Washington man asked his name.

"Gen. suh," was the reply.

After a few moments of silence the Washingtonian continued, "I suppose that is an abbreviation for General?"

The word "abbreviation" stumped the little fellow for a while, but he recovered himself. "No, suh," he said, "it ain't exactly that. My shore-enough name is Genesis xxx. 38. So shall my righteousness answer for me in time to come Washington Jones, but they jest calls me Gen fo' sho't."—Philadelphia Ledger.

EXAMPLE OF REAL BOOSTING

Modern Sellers of Land Will Find It Hard to Beat Work of Fifty Years Ago.

Westerners have always been noted as being great boosters for their territory. Into one of the pioneer states of fifty years ago Shannon ventured in search of a home. He investigated all phases of the opportunities and possibilities of the country and was well pleased with it in all but one respect.

"You have a great country here, I must admit," Shannon told a native to whom he had confided his plans. "I think there are some great opportunities here and I would settle here immediately but for one thing. I am told by people who are in a position to know that the inhabitants die here at the average age of thirty-two."

"Don't let that worry you," exhorted the native. "That is just another phase of the wonderful co-operation and public-spiritedness of our citizens. They simply die off to make room for the rising generations and the incoming hordes!"

Numeral Lines.

How many of our readers have heard the following curious nonsense rhymes? The lines were very well known some fifty years ago:

One pit or opening oysters.

Two coals totally tired trying to trot to Tedbury.

Three tigers taking tea.

Four fat friars fainting for fleas.

Five Frenchmen frieasseeing frogs.

Six sportsmen shooting snipes.

Seven seven salmon swallowing shrimps.

Eight educated Englishmen examining Europe.

Nine nice neat amiable noblemen nibbling nonpareils.

Ten tailors twisting twine.

Eleven Egyptian elephants eating English oils.

Twelve twittering tomtits twining twisting, twirling twixt the tender twigs.

"I Have Other Fish to Fry."

"I have other fish to fry," is a novel phrasing of the thought that one has other things to do besides the one proposed by the questioner. It was uttered by the Mad Knight Don Quixote—immortal hero of the novel by that name, which had for its purpose the ridiculing of knight errantry, and the glorious days of chivalry.

Cervantes makes his hero read romance and adventure into everything he sees during his journeys through the prosaic countryside, and as a result some painful experiences befall the knight. Don Quixote's memorable tilt with windmills is a classic story of literature, and the naive way he explains after the unfortunate tilt, that they were knights when he attacked them, but that an evil influence converted them into windmills to avert defeat and humiliate him, is laughable to the last degree.

"Charles Egbert Craddock."

Miss Mary Noailles Murfree, who died at seventy-two, was better known to the reading public by her pen name of Charles Egbert Craddock. A cripple from childhood, she sought to repair the family fortunes, impaired by the Civil war, through writing tales of her own region of the Cumberlands, and for more than a generation she was eminently successful. The collection of her short stories, published in 1884, under the title "In the Tennessee Mountains," was enough to make her fame lasting. She continued to write, publishing novels until 1914. All were set in the scenes with which she was familiar, the land in which her great-grandfather Murfree, settled early in the Nineteenth century. Miss Murfree was one of the really important regional novelists of America.—New York Herald.

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The State Farm Products Show at Harrisburg, January 22 to 27, will well repay the farmer who attends the many agricultural meetings and sees the numerous educational exhibits of interest to him and his work. Premium lists and programs for the week can be obtained from the State Department of Agriculture, Harrisburg, Pa.

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"WEAZEL POLITICS."

The men in public life who have been attracting the greatest amount of attention in recent months were elected as members of a party, allegiance to which they consider to be shameful. To this practice Will Payne, celebrated writer, has given the name of "weazel politics" in an article in the Saturday Evening Post for December 30. In effect he says:

It is the custom to denounce party politics and to glorify political independence. Nevertheless, parties are essential to our national system. They are so necessary that even those who denounce them most have suggested no substitute for them. Parties must perform the tasks of organizing campaigns, defining issues, laying down the principles to which voters subscribe.

Now if an office seeker receives the benefits of party organization and runs upon a party's platform he ought to give that party his loyalty, not simply before election, but afterwards; he ought to stand by the platform while he has his credentials in hand, no less than when he was seeking them. How otherwise can he be depended upon by the voter?

While national officers and lawmakers are chosen under the party system we cannot have each successful candidate, duly elected as a partisan, assuming later that his party tie means nothing and his party's planks are sounding brass. That would be political chaos. President Taft went into office as a liberal Republican. He was abandoned by a great body of Republicans because they felt convinced he had gone over to the Old Guard and turned his back upon the principles he had subscribed to. President Harding is bending every effort to carry out campaign pledges, plainly written in the party platform and endorsed by the largest vote ever given to a party. He is beset now by men of his own party who reject the platform. Who shall the President take as guides and control of his actions—the voters of 1920, or the insurgents of 1922-23?

The labor union leader who was chosen to represent his organization at a meeting with employers and went over to the employer's side of the case would cease forthwith to be a leader. His union would hit more hard than it would a labor baiter on its executive board. The commercial salesman who ignored the prices listed by his employer would be out of a job in no time. Loyalty is a necessity in human affairs, and loyalty to a party's principles is not to be excepted.

Our present trouble lies largely with the fact that parties representing the varying shades of opinion are non-existent. Yet that does not excuse the bushwhacking of party tenets by politicians who to obtain office have endorsed those tenets. They are always at liberty to organize their own parties.

The day is likely to come again—as it came in 1912—when nothing will be resented more by the voter than repudiation by men in whom he believed, of the things for which he voted. The need of loyalty in party activities and toward party platforms has not altogether been eliminated as a working principle in this republic.

It is probable that the production of automobiles during 1922 will surpass the previous high record established in 1920. Estimates for the calendar year look to an aggregate of about 2,500,000 cars. November was the eighth consecutive month in which the output exceeded 200,000. Ford sales during November were in excess of 100,000 cars and trucks. Sales of General Motors cars, trucks and tractors for the eleven months this year were 400,216 or more than twice as many as in the same period of 1921. December sales are estimated at 47,800 vehicles and the total business of the corporation for 1922 will aggregate about $600,000,000.

Ten—twenty years hence, when store, factory and home have electricity generated from harnessed rivers and lakes, for light, heat, power and every other convenience, at say one cent per kilowatt, a figure nearly approaching the present cost of production, won't we laugh at ourselves for using stinking gas and dusty coal? Oh, times will change, and what's more gratifying men will change with them.

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Relates about your excellence
And tells much your sweetness.
It follows you to school;
And prints up honor roll
If your name is found there.
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And speaks of the excellence
Of your magnificent essay;
It tells of your progress
During your college career
And even dilates much about
The choice of your location
In it gives a nice notice
About your marriage
And praises up the blushing bride
Till her relations don't know her.
Then, in due course of events,
It tells about the bouncing baby
That happens in your family—
Thereby beginning its life work
All over and over again.
The newspaper does all this
And it also does much more.
It tells of the progress
And boosts all enterprises
Made by city and country;
Gives free advertising
Worth thousands of dollars
To its own home town.
That all good newspapers do.
There are scads of things
For which they cannot be paid.
That is why every citizen
Should do his darndest
To support the newspaper
In every possible way
And all the time.
Yessum.
I thank you.—Pulatka, Fla., News.

A Washington dispatch says that prices charged for gasoline by the Atlantic Refining company in Pennsylvania during the first half of 1922 averaged about three cents a gallon above the prices of the Standard Oil company in the neighboring state of Ohio. Greater freight rates on crude oil to the Pennsylvania territory was given as the reason by W. T. Irish, vice president of the Atlantic company. This information was elicited by the senate committee conducting an inquiry into gasoline prices.

A wife and her paramour were hanged in London, recently, just three months after the woman's husband had been murdered, and it has been several months since the double murder at New Brunswick, N. J., occurred and not even an arrest has been made.

In November the exports from the United States reached a value of $383,000,000, which is $90,000,000 greater than in November, 1921. That is the way the new tariff law is paralyzing our foreign trade.

An Associated Press correspondent says that the American and British commissioners "will meet together," which quiets the fears of the rest of us that they were in danger of meeting separately.

The time is at hand to plan for the completion of McKean county's primary roads in a hurry.

Day by day, in every way, the snow gets deeper and deeper.

STATE PLANS PURCHASE VIRGIN WOODS PHOTOS FROM PORT ALLEGANIANS

A dispatch from Harrisburg says that Col. H. W. Shoemaker, a member of the state forestry commission, and Dr. Joseph S. Illick, head of the research bureau of the forestry department, have gone to Port Allegany to purchase a collection of photographs of the Black forest for the department archives.

Scores of pictures taken in the famous Black forest of Lycoming county in the days before it suffered the ravages of the woodman's ax have been discovered stored in an obscure barn near Port Allegheny, McKean county.

Some few pictures of the collection were obtained some years ago for the state museum. The department is collecting all of the photographs of old forest scenes for the department records to show what Penn's woods contained in the early days.

BILL SAM'S DICTIONARY

By J. L. MARTIN

The young lady who taught such a successful school in the Hodegan district last year is running the school at Happy Hollow entirely to her own satisfaction this year. Although she has not whipped a pupil so far, some of the patrons declare that she is too strict. When a pupil violates one of her rules she throws him down and makes him take a dose of castor oil.

CASTOR OIL: A once-popular medicine, kept in a conspicuous place in every home as a preventive of bellyache and other minor ailments among children. Bill Sam's Dictionary, page 216.

ELDRED SPORTS SHOCKED OVER SENTENCE OF TWO SLOT MACHINE OPERATORS

A special dispatch from Eldred to Olean Herald for Friday, January 12, says:

Much comment has been aroused locally, following the arrest and conviction of Daniel Bernard and Joseph Slavin, poolroom proprietors. They were charged with operating nickel slot machines in their establishments in violation of the state law.

Bernard and Slavin were fined $100 each, and both were sentenced to six months in the McKean county jail, following their trial before Judge Bouton in Smethport.

Two state troopers in civilian attire, came to Eldred several weeks ago, and obtained sufficient alleged evidence on the two men to arrest them. They left after accumulating the evidence and returned about two weeks ago armed with warrants for the arrest of Bernard and Slavin and took them to the county jail. They were later released under cash bonds of $300 each, for their appearance at county court, where they pleaded their cases.

It is reported that the conviction and jail sentence of the men created quite a shock among the sporting fraternity of Eldred, as gambling deviles of a like natur have been permitted to be operated in the past, it is said, without molestation.

There's enough snow, but too many automobiles for sleighing.

ALLEGED SHADY DIVINE WANTED IN McKEAN CO. FACES ANOTHER CHARGE.

George Morkan Culbertson, former minister, later insurance agent and alleged salesman of "phony" stocks and bonds, wanted by Judge Bouton for contempt of court in failing to provide for his wife and seven children, also wanted by the court of Potter county, and who was slated for an appearance before the referee in bankruptcy of Buffalo last Friday, but failed to show up, has another charge of contempt to face for the proceeding. A Buffalo dispatch says that when the referee in bankruptcy reopened the hearing of Culbertson's case, Friday, the former minister and much-wanted bond salesman was among those missing.

A process asking for his arrest for contempt of court will be the next step in the many phases that have characterized the activities of the former divine. Reports that Culbertson is in hiding in Buffalo are being investigated by the police.

TRAVELERS ENTERTAIN WITH ELEGANT PROGRAM

The regular meeting of the Smethport Travelers' Club was held at the club house Saturday afternoon, business session, the president, Mrs. L. K. Hogarth, paid a beautiful tribute to the late Mrs. E. A. Studholme, who was one of the most prominent members of the club.

Mrs. M. M. Pomeroy rendered two beautiful piano solos and Mrs. R. E. Burdick read an interesting article on "The Value of Jade." Mrs. Jacobson, a returned missionary from China, gave a most interesting and informing talk upon her experiences as a missionary. The Misses Katherine Pomeroy and Harriet Winn sang "Goodby Shanghai" as a concluding number.

TIMELY REMINDERS FROM PENNSY STATE COLLEGE

Ready Mixed Fertilizers—The best way to buy fertilizers is to pay no attention to fancy brand names, but to depend entirely upon the guaranteed analysis stamped on the bags. Pennsylvania's fertilizer law requires that the manufacturer indicate the correct analysis. You can get a free copy of this law from the state Department of Agriculture.

Plan the Garden—January is the month when the new seed catalogues reach the public. Don't throw them away; study them. Now is the time to plan the home or commercial garden and other seed. Make germination tests in advance of the planting. You have everything to gain and nothing to lose in ordering early.

Winter Green Feed—Poultry relish a green feed during the winter months, and one of the most commonly fed is sprouted oats. Fed at the rate of one to two square inches of oats to a fowl, two quarts of oats soaked in two quarts of water and sprouted to proper length, two to four inches, will be sufficient for 150 birds.

Special Dairy Trade—The opportunities for special sales of high quality dairy products are not always fully realized. Farm dairy butter of good quality for example, may be sold to a select list of customers. A roadside booth on a main highway is another good way to build up a special trade.

VICTIM OF SHOOTING IN DYING CONDITION

Joe Murphy, alias Feracci, who was shot by Tony Mussare in a gun battle in Bradford last November is in a serious condition at the Bradford hospital, suffering from blood poisoning resulting from an infection caused by the bullet wounds. Because of his condition County Detective Allison is said to have obtained an ante-mortem statement of the shooting from Murphy, which may be used as evidence against Tony and Fred Mussare, who are in the county jail charged with the shooting. In the event of Murphy's death the charge of murder will be placed against the brothers.

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KATHERINE McDONALD IN
THE INFIDEL—a South Sea
Sea Island Thriller.
BUSTER KEATING in
THE BLACKSMITH.
another Keating Scream.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23rd
THOMAS MEIGHAN in
CIVILIAN CLOTHES.
LEATHER PUSHERS.
AESOP'S FABLES.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 24th.
CONWAY TEARLE in
LOVE'S MASQUERADE.
Serial—BUFFALO BILL.
PATHE NEWS.
Coming:—Constance Talmadge
in POLLY OF THE FOLLIES.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Judy Pratt is on the sick list this week.

Louise Redfield was ill the first part of the week.

Miss Harriett Jones was an Olean visitor Saturday.

Miss Edna Freeman was an Olean visitor Saturday.

Miss Lucille Marshall was an Olean visitor Saturday.

Hon. James McKean is quite seriously ill at this writing.

Mrs. Jack Cather entertained a few friends Saturday evening.

Messrs. Murriel Provin and Eric Josephson spent the week-in Kane.

Mrs. Edna Warren and Mrs. Donald Hogarth spent Friday in Olean.

Mrs. Ralph Herzog entertained the Tuesday bridge club at her home on Mechanic street.

Mrs. Orville Halpenny entertained a table of 500 Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. John Malcolm attended a dance at Genesee Normal, Friday evening.

Mr. Fred Hungiville and Clark Dunn were Bradford visitors, Saturday.

P. S. Crossman left Saturday for Harrisburg. He will be gone two weeks.

Mrs. C. O. Taylor spent the week-end in Bradford, a guest of her sister.

S. F. Redfield had the misfortune to fall Sunday evening on the slippery sidewalk and cut his head.

Mrs. Gertrude Brown, teacher of the eighth grade, spent the week-end at her home in Salamanca.

Bert McCarthy, who has been ill with tonsilitis for the past three weeks, has recovered.

Mrs. Margaret Logue and daughter, Mrs. Pauline Allman, of Olean, spent the week-end as guests of Mrs. T. H. Purtle and family.

Mrs. Fred Hungiville entertained St. Elizabeths guild at her home on Main street, Tuesday evening.

Miss Lucille Hovis, who teaches school in Hazelhurst, spent the week end at her home here.

Mrs. Ghordis Pickersgill, who has been spending sometime at her home in Emeleton, returned home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Halpenny entertained the 500 club, Thursday evening, at their home on Main street.

Miss Edna Freeman who represents the Swarthmore Chautauqua is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas Freeman.

Miss Dora Keenan entertained the Auction Bridge club Wednesday evening at dinner at her home on Main street.

Mrs. C. K. Gregory entertained a number of young people Tuesday evening in honor of her son Norman's birthday.

Mrs. John Summersgill left Monday to visit relatives in New Jersey.

Mrs. H. L. Backus, and daughter Clarissa, and son William, were Olean visitors, Saturday.

Mr. Lester Taylor and Francis Hussey of Smethport attended a formal dancing party at Genesee State Normal school, Saturday evening, guests of Miss Frances Taylor, who is a student at the school.

Miss Alene Engstrom who has been spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Amandus Engstrom, returned to Buffalo Sunday to resume her work as millinery trimmer.

Mr. William Nellis was a Bradford visitor, Saturday.

Mrs. Alford Bush was a Bradford visitor Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Libby Castanzo of Lewis Run are visiting friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno Connors returned Friday from an extended visit in Little Meadows, N. Y.

The Misses Mate Connolly and Ellen Anderson were in Bradford Saturday.

Miss Louise Heath spent the week in Coudersport.

Miss Carrie McGowan spent Sunday in Port Allegany.

Mrs. Fred Hungiville entertained St. Elizabeths Club Tuesday evening.

Mrs. O. J. Hamlin and daughter Mirabel returned Monday from a week's stay in New York city.

Miss Leota Hovis has been out of school for a few days this week with a hard cold.

Miss Emma Tretton has been quite ill with bronchitis for the past week.

John Saulpaugh and T. H. Hungiville were Buffalo visitors this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McKean who have been ill are very much improved, Miss Geary of St. Marys is the attending nurse.

Mrs. Logue and Pauline Allman spent the week-end with friends in town.

Miss Ruth Lyle, who teaches in Bradford spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Alice Lyle.

Margaret Sasse of Olean, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Sasse of this place.

Mrs. Sarah Brennan is ill at the present writing.

Mrs. Fred Hungiville, and Miss Belva Ford, were Bradford visitors Saturday.

Mrs. O. Anderson entertained a number of children Tuesday, in honor of her daughter Bernice's fifth birthday.

Raymond Day and Earl Terry attended the auto show held in Buffalo last week.

John Conley, deputy sheriff, is suffering severely from pleurisy.

John M. Ross was a Bradford visitor Saturday night.

F. M. Spangle was a business visitor in Bow City, Wednesday.

Otho Ockerlund of East Smethport is ill of la grippe.

N. D. Rayner, who has been seriously ill of erysipelas, is improving.

J. C. Backus, who has been ill the past two weeks from a minor attack of lagrippe, is able to be at his office.

Local physicians report something approaching a mild epidemic of the "grip" in Smethport and quite a number of cases of severe colds.

Come and join the Bible Class at the Baptist church, if you wish to know your Bible. Class meets every Tuesday night at 7:30. All are welcome.

Miss Charlotte Spangle of Allegany college, was an Erie city visitor Saturday night, where she attended the concert given by Paderewski at the Erie Arena.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will hold a mother's meeting in the Baptist church parlors, Monday evening, January 22, at 7:30. A good program has been prepared and there will be something helpful for mothers. All mothers are cordially invited to attend.

Miss Millicent Pattison, who was operated upon two weeks ago for removal of tonsils, by Dr. Tindolph of Olean, returned home Monday accompanied by Miss Molly McCabe. Miss Pattison is improving as rapidly as could be expected.

Mr. H. J. Rice left Monday for Harrisburg to attend the inauguration of Governor Gifford Pinchot, following which he will visit friends in Washington, D. C. On his return home he will again visit Harrisburg in order to view the farm products show.

Mrs. Arthur Reed of Smethport R. F. D. 3., while in Binnewater, N. Y., during the holidays, where she visited her daughter, "listened in" on the St. Peter's Episcopal church services, augmented by a choir of 40, which rendered beautiful Christmas carols. She also heard Vice President Coolidge, Secretary of War Weeks and Secretary of the Navy Denby send Christmas greeting to the people of America and France. Davenport, Iowa, and St. Louis stations also were plainly heard by Mrs. Reed.

LOOK
INTO OUR WINDOW
AND SEE THE
REDUCTION
ON BOYS.
OVER-COATS
then come into the store and examine the quality.
If you delay buying you certainly will miss a big Bargain.
Every Boys Overcoat is reduced from
$2.50 to $3.00
Worth saving, isn't it?
Sizes from 4 to 17.
Wm. Monheimer

FIRE ALARM SUMMONS BOROUGH DEPARTMENT TO E. SMETHPORT CHURCH

The fire department was summoned to the East Smethport church at 6:15 o'clock Sunday evening, where a slight blaze had started, due to the asbestos lining slipping from the cellar furnace, which prohibited the furnace heat to communicate with the floor. By the generous employment of snow however, a number of the church members who were assembling for evening services, extinguished the fire before the department arrived. There was no loss because the blaze had not gained sufficient headway to mar floor or joists.

In a statement to The Miner Rev. Pang, pastor of the church, said that because last Sunday's was the second fire in the church within a year, many might believe that it was due to negligence on the part of the trustees. Mr. Pang, however, says that the trustees have used every precaution to prevent fire, and that this fall, before starting fire in the furnace they put on an extra quantity of asbestos. But it so happened that the original lining slipped a little and permitted too much heat to escape to the woodwork. Plans however, have been made to build a brick jacket around each furnace, which will end all danger of another fire.

The Christian Endeavor society was just assembling for its meeting when the fire was discovered. When the men members succeeded in extinguishing it, services, both Christian Endeavor and church, proceeded as usual.

SMETHPORT BOYS MEET WITH DEFEAT IN FIRST BASKET BALL CONTEST.

Before a small sized crowd Smethport High's basket ball team was defeated last Tuesday evening by the fast St. Bonaventure five by a score of 35 to 17. It was the first game of the season, but despite this fact the local boys put up a stiff fight against their faster and heavier opponents. Halpenny and Smith did the stellar work for the locals.

Friday evening, the Smethport High Girls open their season against the girls of Sheffield High school at the Smethport Lyceum. The girls play under the new rule for girls, which makes the game more exciting and spectacular.

The Smethport Cupids defeated Coudersport at the Lyceum, Monday evening, by a score of 68 to 25. McDermott was the outstanding star.

HAMLIN B. & T. COMPANY HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING AND SELECTS OFFICERS

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Hamlin Bank and Trust company, Wednesday, January 10, the following were elected directors for 1923; Charles McKean, James A. McKean, C. D. Comes, Orlo J. Hamlin, Ralph E. Burdick, George W. Mitchell, H. H. Redfield, F. D. Gallup, Guy McCoy.

The officers elected were: Orlo J. Hamlin, president; James A. McKean, vice president; Ralph E. Burdick, secretary and treasurer; Guy McCoy, assistant secretary and treasurer; F. D. Gallup, trust officer; Frank B. Fay, Albert Johnson, fellers.

The report made at this time indicated that 1922 had proved very successful and conditions most gratifying.

CLASSIFIED COLUMN

FOR SALE—Young dressed pigs, weight about 50 pounds. Phone order to O. D. Nourse, 6R3. 2-2t

WANTED—Middle-aged housekeeper for elderly man. Must be good worker and neat. P. O. Box 554. 2-4t

LOST—Turquoise shell glasses, near Baptist church, last Sunday. Finder return to Ethel Ladlee, Smethport, R. F. D. 1. 1t*

FOR SALE—Overland Roadster, new top and new tires; for sale cheap. Fenton Whelan, Smethport, Pa.

NOTICE—Call Mather's O. K. Farm for fresh eggs, sweet cider, dressed chickens and buckwheat flour. Phone 179R12. 49tf

FOR SALE—Second hand furniture. Call 86R. Miss. Amanda Susse. 3-2t.

FOR SALE—A full-blood Ayershire heifer calf. G. A. Rockefeller, Farmers Valley. Phone 2R24 3-2t.

FOR SALE—Six-cylinder Buick, 5-passenger car. Driven only 6,000 miles. Inquire of Doctor Livermore. 51-tf.

WANTED—Comfortable homelike room by gentleman, with privilege of bath. Address "Roomer," care Miner office. 1t.

FOR SALE—Young team of work horses, harness, wagons and sleighs, all in good condition and cheap. Myron Schoonmaker, Phone 26 W. Smethport. 3tf.

FOR SALE—One black mare, weight 1200, sound and all right; 1 3-year old colt weight about 1400, not broke. Inquire of W. H. Swort, Smethport, R. F. D. 3. 1-2t*

The OLEAN HERALD gives a most up-to-date account of all the latest news through its full associated Press dispatches. It is one of the livest papers in southern New York and covers a wide range of territory in northwest Pennsylvania.

LIVINGSTON SWEEPERS.

Livingston Sweepers rebuilt and repaired. We expertly repair any make carpet sweeper or vacuum cleaner. Electric or hand sweepers for sale or exchange at cut prices. Livingston Sweeper Co., 31 N. Apple Way, New Castle, Pa. 2-3t.*

U. S. GOVERNMENT UNDERWEAR: 2,500,000 pc. New Government Wool Underwear purchased by us to sell to the public direct at 75c each. Actual retail value $3.50 each. All sizes. Shirts 34 to 46. Drawers 30 to 44. Send correct sizes. Pay Postman on delivery or send us money order. If underwear is not satisfactory, we will refund money promptly upon request. Dept. 24. The Pilgrim Woolen Co., 1476 Broadway, New York, N. Y. 47-tf.

MEN WANTED AT ONCE—Who wish to earn from $5.00 to $20.00 daily, supplying their neighbors in McKean county with our line of home remedies, extracts, spices, toilet articles, soaps, stock foods, etc. Goods guaranteed and in daily demand in every home. Big profits for a hustler. Team or car needed. Capital and experience unnecessary. Permanent business and exclusive territory. Write today for full particulars and see how to double your earnings. The H. C. Whitmer Company, Columbus, Indiana. 4-5t*

WOMEN WELL PLEASED WITH DEMONSTRATIONS OF COLLEGE EXPERTS.

The State College extension work that was carried on for two weeks under the efficient supervision of the Misses Brown and Zollman, was finished Wednesday evening last. Thirty-nine women were registered and the attendance averaged 15. Each woman cut from her own fitted waist pattern three full-length dress patterns of different styles. More than 50 dresses were thus undertaken, many of which were nearly completed and a number entirely so. Demonstrations were given in bias bindings, set in pockets, bound buttonholes and skirt making. The majority of the women signed a petition asking for a return date in the near future.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sunday, January 21. Morning worship, 10:30; Church school, 11:45; Junior Epworth league, 3; evening worship, 7:30. Prayer meeting Thursday, 7:30. The Ladies' Aid will meet Thursday afternoon, and the Priscilla club Friday at 8 p. m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Rev. S. A. Renicks pastor. Lord's day 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Bible school 12 o'clock. There will be a real test between the Reds and the Blues on Sunday when the offering is received for the Near East relief. Let us all come prepared to give a good liberal offering. The second "Ship of Fellowship" sent by the Baptists has reached her destination at Odessa, in Southern Russia.

There was 1,092 bales of clothing, eight bales of children's supplies and twenty-six huge cases of soap and shoes, thus making a total of 1,126. There was over 7,000 different packages that came from all sections, from our Baptist churches.

We began our Bible class last Tuesday night with 17 in attendance, which was a very good start for Smethport. Let us remember our weekly prayer meeting at 8 o'clock. All are welcome to one and all of the services.

EAST SMETHPORT CHURCH.

Rev. A. L. Pang, pastor of East Smethport church, preached the second of a series of sermons on "The Lord's Prayer" last Sunday night, taking for his text the words, "Thy Kingdom Come, Thy Will be Done on Earth as it is in Heaven." Services for Sunday next and the week following: Sunday, class meeting at 10:30 a. m.; Sunday School 11 a. m.; Christian Endeavor 6:45 p. m.; regular preaching service 7:30, at which time the pastor will preach the third sermon of a series on "The Lord's Prayer," his text being, "Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread." The sermon series is proving of great interest. Everybody welcome.

The East Smethport Brotherhood is making great preparations for their meeting Sunday, January 28, at which time the men will take entire charge of the service. There will be several men speakers, a male quartet and a boy at the piano. Ladies, however, are invited and expected to be present.

HAPPILY MARRIED.

Mr. Gilbert A. Powers and Miss Margaret Fowler, both of Norwich, Pa., were united in marriage at the M. E. parsonage, Thursday, January 11, the Rev. Arthur Gregson officiating. The bride is well and favorably known in Smethport, having been identified with the Wright hotel for some time. The many friends of the newly-wedded pair will join in wishing them abundant happiness.

THE FARMER'S NEW YEAR

Just as this bank has stood by the farmer when crops were poor, and while prices are low, so it has resolved to go with him every step of the way through the new year.

We mean to do all within our power to help each farmer, who will use this bank, to benefit by the better times which seem to be just ahead.

THE GRANGE NATIONAL BANK
SMETHPORT, PA.
MEMBER FEDERAL BANK

Good Things to Eat
BEST MEALS OBTAINABLE.
FINE CANDIES.
ICE CREAM AND DAINTY LUNCHES.
You Know the Place.
L. E. MUNN RESTAURANT
A WELCOME AWAITS YOU.

"Where do You Bank?"

Often you are asked this question, and sometimes your credit and standing are helped more than you think by the answer.

The individual or firm that banks here, gets every facility of a progressive bank, as well as that prestige which attaches to a banking institution long established and widely known for its financial stability.

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"THE BANK THAT TAKES CARE OF ITS CUSTOMERS."

VACUUM TUBE IMPORTANT IN TELEPHONE COMMUNICATION

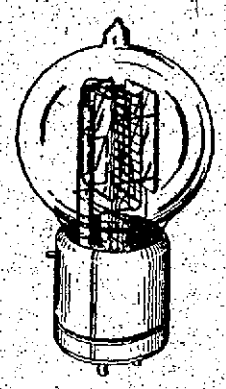
It is said that the vacuum tube, sometimes called an amplifier, is to the wireless and long-distance telephones, what the keystone is to the arch.

The simple vacuum tube consists of a glass bulb similar to the ordinary incandescent lamp, and besides a filament, which is the platinum wiring inside the bulb, it also contains a little metal plate placed near the filament. Between the filament and the plate is a portion of wire meshing called a bridge.

The electricity passes into the bulb and jumps from an open filament, through the meshing of the bridge, and is then taken up by the metal plate and so passes out of the bulb.

The vacuum tube is largely responsible for the success of the loud speaker, used to great effect in connection with the inaugural address of President Harding and at the burial of the unknown soldier at Arlington.

This tube so amplified the sound of the voice that in San Francisco thousands of people distinctly heard every word.



Telephone Repeater Vacuum Tube.

Repeater Station, Princeton, N. J., which houses 320 vacuum tube repeaters, essential to New York-Philadelphia telephone cables.

UTILITIES CLAIM SMALL PART OF AVERAGE BUDGET

A striking statement of the low proportionate cost of public utility service in the household budget of the average family was recently made by Albert Stump, an Indianapolis lawyer.

"The average family's income, as shown by data collected in the Home Economics Department of a large university, is spent in the following proportions:"

	Per Cent.
Food	26.8
Rent and Fuel	22.0
Clothes	15.3
Insurance	4.4
Miscellaneous (vacations, entertainments, gifts, savings)	24.4
Street car fare	2.9
Water	1.2
Gas or cooking	.9
Telephone	.8
Electricity	.7

"The cost of all the utility service together amounts to only 3.5 per cent of the income. The rates for utility service have increased about 25 per cent on the average during the six years, while the increase for every other commodity has average from 50 per cent to 100 per cent."

IS A SMILE WORTH $20,000?

The value of a smile has been definitely fixed. It has been emphasized as in the slogan of the telephone company, "The voice with the smile wins." But it remained for an impartial jury to put a fixed price on the value of a smile, a Kansas City jury having awarded little Jimmy Godfrey, aged thirteen, a verdict of $20,000 for an injury to his face received from contact with an electric wire, which destroyed his power to smile.

Commenting on the verdict, "Advanced Thought" says: "Moral: If a smile is worth $20,000 when you lose it, it is worth $20,000 when you use it."

No jury has as yet fixed a price on the voice with the smile over the telephone, but experience has shown that it is beyond price.

OPERATOR STICKS TO POST

Miss Minnie Clark, eighteen-year-old telephone operator, was the heroine of the explosion which wrecked the plant of the Diamond Match Company, at Barberton, O., and killed a fireman. After the first explosion Miss Clark stuck to her post and called police, firemen and ambulances regardless of the fact that the switchboard was in the midst of broken glass by which she was severely injured.

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ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL AND HIS GRANDCHILDREN

Alexander Graham Bell, the inventor of the telephone, who died recently, was a great lover of children.

This big hearted man, usually hatless and in knickers, liked nothing better than an hour's romp with his three grandchildren, and it was not an uncommon sight to see the four of them out for a lark on his estate at Beinn Bhreagh, near Baddeck, Cape Breton.

There was an intangible something about him that defies explanation; an elusive quality that carried an irresistible appeal to even the smallest child and the response to kind words and gentle pats was instantaneous.

Dr. Bell was actively engaged in scientific research up to the time of his death, and was constantly striving for something new. Despite his activities, however, he always had time to stop for a moment and console the little one who had come, weeping, with her broken doll.

Years hence it is not improbable that folks will be telling of the time they were taken in the arms of the inventor of the telephone.

He has been laid to rest in a solid metal basket in a tomb hewn out of solid rock on Mount Beinn Bhreagh, Nova Scotia.

LEARN FACTS ABOUT STEEL

Interesting Discoveries Concerning Most Useful Metal, That Have Recently Been Made.

Very fascinating are the unsolved problems of metallurgy which were discussed at a recent meeting of an institution of civil engineers.

There is a common carbon steel which, when heated to 725 degrees centigrade and quenched in brine bends on becoming cold, 4½ degrees, and possesses the hardness number 228 on the Brinnell scale. If heated only ten degrees higher, to 735 degrees, and then quenched and cooled, it bends only 1½ degrees and its hardness becomes 512. Finally, when the heat is increased another 5 degrees, to 740 degrees, the effect is that the steel will not bend at all and its hardness number rises to 713.

All these results are produced by a range of temperature less than that experienced by the air on an ordinary spring day. There is a steel containing 20 per cent of nickel which is almost non-magnetic and has a tenacity of 40 tons per square inch. If immersed in liquid air it becomes strongly magnetic and its tenacity rises to 115 tons. Then, after returning to ordinary temperature, it exhibits a tenacity of 17 tons.

RELATIVES SERVED WITH CUSTER

Many Members of the Famous Soldier's Family Lost Their Lives in the "Massacre."

In the battle of the Little Big Horn, popularly known as the "Custer Massacre," the Seventh cavalry, in charge of Gen. George A. Custer, every man in his command lost his life, several near relatives of Custer were among the killed.

With Custer in that memorable fight was his brother, Capt. Tom Custer, the only man in the United States army who held two medals for capturing two guns, with his own hands in the Civil war. After the battle the Sioux chief, Rain-in-the-Face, made good a previous threat, and accomplished a terrible revenge for an old grievance against Captain Custer by cutting open the breast of the brave young soldier and eating his heart. Colhoun, a brother-in-law of the general, was among the slain, as was Boston Custer, another brother of the general, who was civilian forage master of the Seventh cavalry, and Autie Reed, the general's nephew—a mere boy, who wanted to see something of life in the West, and who had welcomed with joy this opportunity to make the campaign.

Learned Barbarisms.

The use of Greek or Latin roots from which to form new words, required by the advance of scientific knowledge, is almost universal among learned men. On the whole the practice is useful, but it can be carried to absurdity. Dr. Bridenell Carter, the English oculist, in one of his books, protests against doctors who air their supposed acquirements by coining horrible verbal compounds that are usually intended to express very simple conditions.

I have, he writes, seen dacryocystosyringokatakleisis used to express obstruction of the tear duct; and amphiblestroiditis to express inflammation of the retina of the eye. I once met a country cabinetmaker who built wooden frames, covered with needlework, to protect polished fenders against the feet. He sought a name for his contrivance from the local schoolmaster, who furnished him with antitribospodotheridion; and with a literal translation—an "against friction-of-the-ashes receptacle."—Youth's Companion.

Paradise of Departed Heroes.

The way in which the departed Scandinavian heroes passed their time in Valhalla, or in the palace of Odin, is described in several places in the Edda.

They have every day the pleasure of arming themselves, marshalling themselves in military order, engaging in battle, and being all cut to pieces; but when the stated hour of repast arrives their bodies are reunited, and they return on horseback safe to the hall of banquet, where they feed heartily on the flesh of a boar and drink beer out of the skulls of their enemies, until they are in a state of intoxication. Odin sits by himself at a particular table. The heroes are served by the beautiful virgins named Valkirie, who officiate as their cupbearers. But the pleasures of love do not enter at all into the joys of this extraordinary paradise.

Made No Hit That Night.

A certain actor, who walked across the stage in a street scene of a third-rate drama, was very fond of telling his friends what he would accomplish when he had a speaking part. No matter how small it was, he would show them what real acting meant.

Eventually his opportunity came. He was to appear in one of the scenes and say two words—"It is."

For three weeks, nightly, before his mirror he rehearsed; trying all sorts of gestures, expressions and tones until he felt perfect.

The eventful night arrived when the curtain was to rise on the new play for the first time, and the actor impatiently awaited his cue. It came. "And so this is the end?"

With his best tragedian air he stalked to the center of the stage and in a voice of thunder cried: "Is it?"

FIGURES THAT TALK!

There are over 17,000,000 telephones in the United States!

It is hard to believe that here in our own country we have 64 per cent of the world's telephones, but it is nevertheless true, for the total number in the entire world is about 20,000,000.

Europe, with 5,289,606 telephones, has one telephone per 100 population; in fact, there are but 1.2 telephones per 100 population throughout the entire world.

It can easily be seen to what great extent telephone service has been developed in the United States when it is considered that we have over 12 telephones to every 100 people.

TELEPHONE CORD PLAYS VITAL PART

If Damaged Will Interfere With the Giving of Good Telephone Service.

Good telephone service depends to a great extent upon what appears to be an unimportant part of the equipment—the cord.

If not in good condition this little cord, usually seven-eighths inch and six feet in length, may cause serious trouble with the service.

For instance, a subscriber absent-mindedly jerks the telephone to straighten a twisted cord. While that jerk may not cause any serious trouble at the time, yet it may be the means of starting poison corrosion inside the telephone which will eventually cut off the service.

It is a well-known fact that moisture causes corrosion of rust when it comes in contact with the metal used in the telephone, but thousands of trouble complaints arise from wet telephone cords. If the cord rests against a wet umbrella, or a sponge on the desk or if rain blowing in from an open window falls on the cord, the result will probably be trouble with the service.

Baby in a playful mood may chance upon the telephone cord in his travels and start chewing. Everyone knows that baby's salivary glands are exceedingly active and, of course, the danger of a saturated cord is the result. Teething is an important process, but it is hard on telephone cords.

Moisture will gradually work its way into the cord and the result will be corrosion of the wires, which at the very least means a noisy line and sometimes the service is cut off entirely.

STOCK WIDELY DISTRIBUTED

The American Telephone and Telegraph Company which, together with its Associated Companies, comprises what is commonly known as the Bell System, had over 186,000 stockholders, including over 25,000 employee stockholders at the end of the year 1921. More than half of the Company's stockholders are women.

CHEATS DEATH BY PROMPT ACTION

Telephone Operator Hears Groans Over Wire and Notifies Doctor.

Prompt action in summoning a physician by Mrs. Catherine Ridge, a telephone operator at Bryn Mawr, Pa., was probably the means of saving the life of Mrs. Mary B. Fleming.

Mrs. Fleming shot herself accidentally while alone in her home and by sheer force of will dragged herself to the telephone to call for aid. Her strength was sapped by the loss of blood and she collapsed immediately upon removing the telephone receiver from the hook. She lay on the floor almost unconscious, groaning from the effects of the wound.

The telephone operator, upon answering the signal on the switchboard caused by the removal of the receiver, received no response to her repeated query, "Number please." Listening intently, she heard Mrs. Fleming's weak cries as she lay on the floor.

Mrs. Ridge, sensing that the case was urgent, immediately notified a physician.

The physician rushed to the home and immediately staunched the flow of blood. Mrs. Fleming was then removed to a hospital, where it was declared that but for the quick action on the part of Mrs. Ridge in summoning a physician, Mrs. Fleming might have bled to death before receiving treatment.

ENGLISH TOWN HAS TWO FIRE ENGINES BUT NO TELEPHONES

Not long ago a fire occurred in a town in England. The town was big enough to have two fire engines—although they were not modern ones—but it did not have a single telephone. The result was that when the fire got beyond control, help had to be summoned by a man on a bicycle, and before a motor fire engine could reach the scene much damage had been done.

DAIRY FACTS

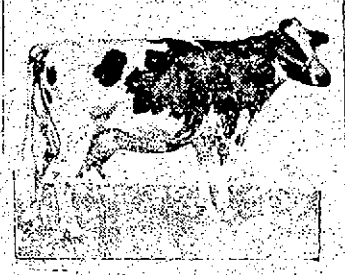
IMPROVEMENT OF DAIRY COW

Department of Agriculture Has Six High-Producing Animals on Its Farm at Beltsville.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

The improvement of dairy cows means a great deal more than increased profits to the dairyman. It means cheaper food and more milk, the best bone and muscle maker for children. What this improvement means is brought out forcefully by a poster prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture and sent free to interested persons.

An ordinary cow or scrub produces only enough milk to feed five chil-



Cow Producing Enough Milk to Feed Five Children.

dren a quart a day, while a good cow yields enough to feed 20 children a quart a day. The selection and feeding are more and more in this class each year, five enough milk so that a small herd of them might supply this quantity to all the small children in a small town.

On its farm at Beltsville, Md., the department has six cows [illegible] of its breeding work that have produced an average of more than 20,000 pounds of milk in a year. The little herd of six big producers yields enough milk to provide 150 children a quart a day. One of them could supply nearly 30 children, or six times as many as the ordinary cow could take care of.

Good breeding, first and good feeding, second, have made this difference.

MAKE COW RATION TEMPTING

Animal Will Not Do Well on Food That Is Not Palatable—Avoid Any Sudden Change.

The good dairy ration must be attractive. A cow is a self-respecting sort of animal and she likes palatable food. In fact, a cow will not do well on food that isn't palatable, and it should be remembered that the condition of the food has the most to do with its palatability. Moldy grains or roughages do not appeal to the appetite of the cow, and consequently are unsatisfactory. Thus the unsatisfactory feed, no matter if it does contain the proper elements, may cause a reduction in the milk supply due to the cow's unwillingness to eat a plenty to keep up a good flow of milk.

At the same time it must be recognized that it is not a wise idea to change a ration suddenly in order to make it better. A cow is a pretty delicate sort of a milk-producing machine and, especially if she is a large producer, sudden changes in the food are quite likely to upset her in one way or another, and the result will be a loss of milk.

KEEP FEED UTENSILS CLEAN

Average Farmer Is Liable to Grow Little Careless About Pails in Summer.

Wide-awake dairymen realize the importance of keeping calf feeding utensils scrupulously clean at all seasons of the year. The average farmer, however, may grow a little careless about the calf pail, especially during the warm summer months. These pails should be of tin or galvanized iron, never of wood, and should not be allowed to get rusty or battered. They should be thoroughly washed, rinsed and sterilized after use, and kept in a clean place. Never use calf pails for feeding hogs, or live stock other than calves.

ESSENTIALS FOR DAIRY HERD

Cows and Young Animals Should Be Provided With Plenty of Pure Water and Shade.

Provide plenty of shade and cool, pure water for the cows and young animals. Spray cows at milking time to keep off flies. Look out for sour milk and cream. Bacteria and warmth cause milk to sour. The modern way to spell bacteria is d-i-r-t. Keep it out of the milk, thoroughly wash and scald all milk utensils. Keep the milk or cream cool, 50 degrees or lower if possible, and it will stay sweet for several days.

Wisconsin in Lead.

Wisconsin now leads in the number of accredited tuberculin-free cattle with 36,185 head. Minnesota is second with nearly 34,000 head.

Metal Milk Utensils.

Milk utensils for farm use should be made of metal and have all joints smoothly soldered. Never allow them to become rusty or rough inside.

Never Mix Milk.

Never mix fresh, warm milk with that which has been cooled.

TEST TO PROVE FORTITUDE

Indian "Braves" Subjected to Hideous Torture Before They Were Classed as "Warriors."

The Sun dance was a ceremonial performance in which the young Sioux aspirant gave that final proof of endurance and courage which entitled him to the honors of a full-fledged warrior. One feature of it was the suspension in air of the candidate by a raw-hide rope passed through slits cut in the breast, or elsewhere, until the flesh tore and he fell to the ground. If he fainted, faltered or failed, or even gave way momentarily to his anguish during the suspension, he was damned forever after, and was called and treated as a squaw for the rest of his miserable life.

The afterward famous Rain-in-the-Face, in submitting to this test, hung suspended for two days with the raw-hide rope through deep slits in his back over the kidneys, while he taunted his tormentors, and sang his war songs and boasted of his deeds. The tough flesh muscles and tendons would not tear loose. Buffalo skulls were tied to his legs and the added weight finally enabled the Indian brave to break free.

BIRD HAS CHANGED ITS COLOR

Circumstances Somewhat Rare, but Not Unknown to the Students of Ornithology.

The hoopoe may not be apt to change his spots, but the fact is on the ground that of California valley in western Europe have changed their color. This mystery was explained to the American Ornithologists' union meeting in Chicago by Dr. Frank M. Chapman, curator of birds of the American Museum of Natural History.

The ground inhabiting duck comes from Mexico to Siberia, Peru. In all this [illegible] of country these birds have a conspicuous black throat band and underparts of gray and white. This is the case everywhere except in one small river valley, where the bird loses its black collar and becomes almost entirely white.

Doctor Chapman said that this different dress was not due to environment, but one of the rare instances in which such a change had been detected in birds. The mutation which spontaneously occurred has simply become permanent and specific through the isolation of this group of birds.

Passing of the Cousin.

Cousins seem to be much less in evidence than they once were. I can remember when everybody not only had cousins but addressed them as cousin, says a writer in Collier's. It was "Cousin Fred, do have more asparagus," or "How are Cousin Jim's hives?" Today one seldom hears a cousin referred to as such. Many thoughtful persons do not even know who their cousins are. Nor do they care. Sometimes I wonder if the cousin business won't peter out entirely. The chances are that this will be an improvement. Most people get sick and tired of having relatives thrust upon them and would like their cousins better just as friends rather than kinsfolk. This is equally true of brothers and sisters. I am fond of my brother, not because he is my brother but in spite of the fact. He often takes advantage of being my brother to become familiar, critical and irritating. It is as a fellow human being that he is most agreeable.

Cuckoo Lays Smallest Egg.

The ostrich of all extant birds, lays the largest egg in actual dimensions. Relatively to its size, however, the kiwi, a strange wingless New Zealand species, is the champion, with an egg not less than five inches long, although the extreme length of the bird itself is only 27 inches.

The smallest birds' eggs are those of the minuter species of humming birds. Nevertheless, the cuckoo lays the relatively smallest egg. Though the jackdaw and the cuckoo are of the same size, the former's egg is five or six times larger than the latter's. The fact that the cuckoo is wont to deposit its eggs in the nests of other birds, usually much smaller than itself, doubtless accounts for this phenomenon.

Blue Heron Feeds on Fish.

Some persons call the great blue heron a "squawk-bird," because of its peculiar call, which is a squawk. Others call it a "crane." It is more water-bird than crane, however, and feeds largely on fish.

In the spots from which he has not yet been driven by man and his various noises and methods of destruction, the heron is an industrious and patient hunter. He stalks silently about, or stands rigidly for long periods at a time watching his chances to make a swift and sure lunge with his beak for a frog, a fish, a reptile, or even an occasional mouse.

"The Grace of God."

Grace of God is an expression from the writings of St. Paul, who frequently used the term grace in the sense of a gift which enables those who have it to do that which they could not do without it. The Church of England and the Protestant Episcopal church in the United States teach that grace is the assistance given by God to those who believe in Him, so that they may please Him and keep His commandments. The Roman Catholic church teaches that for all acts conducive to salvation the inner grace of the Holy Spirit is necessary.

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MOST IMPORTANT NEWS OF WORLD

BIG HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK CUT TO LAST ANALYSIS.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN ITEMS

Kernels Culled From Events of Moment in All Parts of the World—Of Interest to All the People Everywhere.

Washington

The Treasury department at Washington announced that on January 1 the amount of money outside the treasury in circulation was $4,732,808,000, a per capita wealth of $42.81, as against $41.51 a year ago.

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Earnings of 71 telephone companies reported to the interstate commerce commission at Washington show an operating income of $17,899,340 for October, an increase of $2,233,852.

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President Harding will appoint Maj. Gen. Enoch H. Crowder the first American ambassador to Cuba, it is announced at Washington.

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Nomination of Federal Judge John M. Killits to the Supreme bench was urged on President Harding at Washington by a committee from Toledo, headed by Walter F. Brown, political leader.

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President Harding at Washington, upon receipt of advice that the French were moving to occupy the Ruhr, ordered American troops recalled from the Rhine.

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Senators Capper and Lenroot, both authors of bills for agricultural relief, conferred with President Harding in Washington at his request on farm credit legislation.

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The house ways and means committee at Washington went on record as opposing enactment of a new soldiers' bonus bill or other revenue-affecting legislation at this session of congress.

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A Washington dispatch says the funding of the British indebtedness in the United States, amounting in all to nearly $5,000,000,000, is to be approached strictly and entirely as a business problem, without political bearings.

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Domestic

The customs service at New York received the Lexington, an armored ring chaser, equipped with machine guns fore and aft. Fast liquor ships which refuse to halt will be fired on.

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Entering the pit in the face of warning that it was dangerous, five miners met death in Dolomite mine No. 1 of the Woodward Iron company, near Birmingham, Ala., in a gas explosion. Death was instant.

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A miniature battle was staged off Los Angeles by five battleships, six destroyers and several airplanes of the battle fleet, prior to their departure for Panama for the annual joint naval maneuvers.

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Convicted of defrauding a client, G. W. Hilliday, bankrupt St. Louis broker, who confessed he counterfeited $1,500,000 certificates of the French government, was sentenced to three years' imprisonment.

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The American Sugar Refining company of New York declared in the American Sugar Bulletin that Americans in 1922, with a per capita consumption of 102 pounds, made a world's record as sugar eaters.

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Park Commissioner Bates at Hilo, T. H., reports more activity in the Kilauea volcano than for many months. Fountains of lava are shooting to a great height from two lakes in the volcano.

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Dust explosions are not spontaneous, but are the result of smoking and other preventable causes, the Buffalo chamber of commerce is informed by David J. Price, engineer of the U. S. bureau of chemistry.

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The presbytery of New York supported by an overwhelming majority the Rev. Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick, a Baptist, who is the "special preacher" at the First Presbyterian church in New York.

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Union officials at St. Paul announced that shop workers on the Great Northern railway have officially ended their strike, which was called July 1.

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Representatives of the Ford Motor company announced the company has bought 107½ acres of land on the Mississippi river at St. Paul for $315,000 as the site of a plant whose cost may reach $10,000,000.

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The American Radio Relay league, at Hartford, Conn., announced that a new record for amateur transmission was established when a wireless operator on a ship off the Chinese coast heard calls of four American amateurs, including one 5,800 miles distant.

The steamship Homeric, arriving at New York, brought 75 bars of gold valued at $2,730,000, consigned to J. P. Morgan & Co., bankers, who act as fiscal agents for the British government.

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New York's dry navy captured four small boats loaded with whisky, but over two score escaped and landed liquor from three steamers and nineteen schooners.

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Syracuse (Ind.) G. A. R. post will surrender its charter because but two members survive. One resides in Goshen. The post once had a membership roll of sixty.

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Docks and lower streets along the water front at Portland, Ore., are flooded by the Willamette river, which has risen more than 25 feet above normal.

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A ruling by the full bench of the Supreme court at Boston held that a company may legally make it a condition of employment that those whom it hires must abandon labor union membership.

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Personal

Constantine, former king of Greece, died at Palermo, Italy, surrounded by his wife and three daughters. His death was sudden.

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Judge William M. Moore, one of the nation's leading financiers, died of heart disease at his New York home.

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Dr. Emil G. Hirsch, one of the foremost Jews of his time, is dead at Chicago.

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John R. Bland, founder and president of the United States fidelity and Guarantee company, is dead at Baltimore.

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Foreign

The railway station at Sligo, Ireland, was burned by a band of armed men. The fire destroyed two passenger trains.

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Explosion of a gasoline engine in a coal mine near Hindenburg, Upper Silesia, caused the trapping of 45 miners. All are believed to be dead.

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Martial law has been declared in Canton, where adherents of Sun Yat Sen, former president of the southern Chinese republic, have been engaged in battle to retake the city.

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Planning increased production of oil in the Baku fields, the Russian government at Moscow has ordered ten complete outfits of the Rotary-Rex machine, especially designed for deep and rapid drilling.

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A bill to increase all taxes, direct and indirect, 20 per cent was introduced in the chamber of deputies at Paris by Finance Minister Lasteyrie. The increases are expected to produce 3,200,000 francs.

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The Franco-Belgian occupation of the Ruhr basin is accomplished. It was carried out with a swiftness and efficiency which left the citizens of Essen gasping with surprise.

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Eight thousand Lithuanians besieged Memel after repulsing League of Nations troops. Poles and Germans are mobilizing armies for East European war, says a Berlin dispatch.

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Despite protests by the Buddhists, Japan has decided to send a diplomatic envoy to the Vatican, says a Tokyo dispatch.

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It is reported at Dublin that Eamon De Valera, leader of the Republican movement, has secretly reached the United States and will confer with Republican sympathizers in New York, Boston and Chicago.

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A Peking dispatch says that by burning 100 villages and killing from 600 to 1,000 natives, bandits in western Honan have taken revenge for attacks on them by troops after the bandits had released captured foreigners.

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Germany recalled her envoys to France and Belgium and has prepared to wage a moral war. The government will refuse all reparations payments, claiming the treaty of Versailles is broken.

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Gen. Chung Chiung-Ming, who captured Canton last summer and drove President Sun Yat Sen's southern government from power, has been defeated by Sun's troops and has fled from Canton to Hongkong.

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A Managua dispatch says that as a result of reports that Nicaraguan political refugees in Honduras are organizing a revolutionary force, the Nicaraguan army has been markedly increased in the last few days.

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One hundred and seventy-two persons were sentenced to death at Calcutta after trials for murder and arson resulting from noncooperative outrages in Chamrail last February.

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By a vote of 217 to 2, the French senate at Paris re-elected Leon Bourgeois as president.

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The German cabinet at Berlin has decided upon active peace and political campaign to defeat French plans to work the Ruhr and to counteract the effect upon German industry.

DAIRY

KEEP DAIRY UTENSILS CLEAN

Bacteria Increase in Astounding Numbers When Conditions Are Right—Must Be Kept Dry.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Because bacteria increase in numbers at such an astounding rate when conditions are favorable, it is necessary not only to kill as many of them as possible in order to keep dairy utensils clean and insure a good product; but utensils must be kept dry, so that the few organisms that are left after sterilization will not multiply greatly. In addition to the proper temperature

All Dairy Utensils Should Be Thoroughly Sterilized Before Use.

it is necessary that moisture be present for these germs to grow, but only a very thin film of water is needed.

It is particularly important that milk cans be thoroughly dried and kept dry until used again, says the United States Department of Agriculture. In addition, they must be protected from contamination with dust, other particles and flies. Experiments carried on by the department show that, in milk cans which were covered before being dried, the number of bacteria increased 700 times in 24 hours. An average of seven tests showed that the count increased from 1,111,514 to 770,731,429. Milk put into cans in which the bacteria have been permitted to multiply to such an extent will cause all it were dried before being covered.

To secure rapid drying, the cans must be sterilized with steam or boiling water. If a sterilizer is used the cans may be left in it until time for them to be used again, but there must be some means of ventilation to carry off the moisture. Cans may be set on a rack to dry, but they should be protected from flies and dust preferably in a well-screened milk house.

Producing Clean Milk

Factors to be observed in producing good clean milk:

Clean, healthy cows in clean, well lighted and well ventilated quarters.

Plenty of pure water for the herd and milkhouse.

Clean utensils, thoroughly washed, steamed and sunned.

Small-top milking pails. Milk with dry hands.

Remove milk from stable as soon as drawn from each cow.

Have a separate milkhouse for handling milk and dairy utensils.

Cool milk to 50 degrees F. or lower as soon as drawn.

Keep milk at a low temperature, until delivered and deliver regularly.—G. E. Morton, Colorado Dairy Commissioner.

EXCELLENT CALF PEN HINTS

Should Be Located on South Side of Barn and Arranged So that Sunlight Enters Freely.

Calf pens are preferably located near the south side of the barn and so arranged that sunlight enters them. Exercising yards to the south of the barn connecting with the pens are desirable in order that calves may be turned out for exercise even on cold days and be protected from the north winds. Cement floors are satisfactory from the standpoint of durability and cleanliness, but are cold in winter unless covered by an abundance of dry bedding.

Beware of Moldy Silage.

In opening the silage it is necessary that all moldy silage be removed or silage poisoning may result and sometimes it may cause death of live stock.

Silage Not Balanced Feed.

Silage is not a balanced ration. It should always be supplemented by other feeds.

Poor Feeding Practices.

Unwise feeding practices will produce bad results in feeding silage or molasses. A systematic study indicates that the losses have been due to the manner in which silage is fed or to an excess of it.

A Silage Farmer.

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ALL INDIA BOWS TO CASTE

Life, Spiritual and Physical, Is Based Upon That One Idea, Without Possible Appeal.

"Caste" is the essence of Hinduism, writes Harold Cox. The Hindus, who enormously outnumber all the rest of the population of India, are divided up into a multitude of castes, religiously separated from one another. Into whatever caste a man is born, in that caste he remains until he dies.

At the head of the whole system is the priestly caste of Brahmans. But the Brahmans themselves are divided into a number of subcastes, all keeping their respective rank, which is determined not by wealth but by birth.

One of my best pupils in India was a very high-caste Brahman boy. So high was his caste that he could not find any one in the neighborhood sufficiently sacred to be permitted to cook his food. He had to import an uncle, who lived with him in a hut in the compound and prepared the meals while the boy was attending classes in mathematics and English literature.

Similar barriers run right through Hindustan. The lowest castes are in fact known as the "untouchables" because merely to touch them pollutes a Hindu. I have myself seen an Indian servant, when asked by his English mistress to fetch a shawl for the baby, toss the shawl to the baby's nurse instead of handing it to her, because she, being of a lower caste, would have polluted him if she had touched the shawl before he parted with it.

In parts of southern India, where the caste system is even more rigid than in the north, the Untouchables are forbidden to walk on certain roads, lest higher castes should be polluted merely by seeing them.

HAVE THEIR PECULIAR CHANT

Pile-Driver Coolies of China Retain Chorus That Has Been Theirs Through Centuries.

No visitor to China who once hears it will ever forget the chant of the pile-driver coolies. The filling chorus that has come down through the ages and was sung by the toilers who built China's great wall, still is raised over every piece of construction work that brings into service this particular guild of workers. Ordinarily contractors employ singing leaders with each gang of pile-driver coolies, and while it is the particular function of these leaders to speed the work, they also extemporize words for the ancient chant, often at the expense of the foreign onlookers. From the hammer of the human pile driver, which may weigh several hundred pounds, as many as a score of ropes run to as many workers stationed above on a staging. As the coolies heave in unison, lifting the hammer, the chant is begun by all the workers, and with each line of the song a blow is delivered as the hammer is dropped. Other coolies below control the movement of the hammer, which rises and falls more and more rapidly, until a swelling climax is reached with a shrill outburst from the throats of the workers.

Worthily Honored.

A period of 400 years has elapsed since Omer Sebastian del Cano returned to Seville, Spain, after having circumnavigated the world for the first time. His wonderful voyage took four years all but 14 days and he arrived back at his home port on September 6.

In honor of his memory the Spanish government held a fete on his birthplace at Guetaria at which Great Britain was officially represented.

Sebastian sailed in 1519 with Magellan, and when that Portuguese navigator was killed, soon after discovering the straits which bear his name, succeeded to the command and completed the voyage of circumnavigation. Drake's voyage was not made until 1577-80. Del Cano's memory is still cherished in Spain and until just before the war a street of the Spanish city bore his name.

Gave Tweeds Their Name.

If a lord in a tweed suit should ask another man in a tweed suit why tweeds are called "tweeds" it is ten to one that—the second tweeded one would reply:

"After the River Tweed, of course."

And, as tweeds are a product of Scotland and the River Tweed is the Anglo-Scottish border stream made famous by the romances of Sir Walter Scott, the answer would be rather plausible. But it wouldn't be correct, declares the New York Sun.

The tweeds became tweeds by mistake. Prior to 1832 their name was twill, pronounced in Scotland "tweel" and also spelled thus. But the name, carelessly written, looked like "tweed" in an invoice with a consignment to a London merchant, and they became fashionable under that name.

Rest.

People's ideas of rest differ very considerably; what is rest to one man may be hard work to another. The great thing is to have a change of occupation, to get away from one's ordinary tasks, whether these be golf or business, and to relax the mind in whatever way may be most grateful. Many will find this relaxation in religion or in games. Wiser people will find it in both. But the wisest of all are those who find it in the gentler exercise even of the spirit and of the muscle, such as neither tyrannize over nor distract their neighbors.

ALL TO BE TRACED TO SMILE

But Watson Really Had No Idea of Trouble He Had Caused on That Street Car.

A smile will sometimes do wonderful things. Watson sat on the street car, looking out of the window. Something he observed out in the street caused him to smile broadly, in fact, he almost laughed outright.

People sitting near him noticed the smile and wondered. When the smile didn't fade away the girl across the aisle reached down and gave her skirt a downward push. The man with a wart on his nose turned sideways, so that the wart could not be observed. The young fellow and his girl suddenly brought their voices down to a mere whisper and the girl blushed prettily, while the boy shifted his position uneasily. The little man who had been shopping for his wife and was loaded down with bundles did his best to look haughty and to command an air of quiet dignity. The old negro mauma muttered something about white people having no manners nowadays, always laughing at black folks.

Watson, himself, noticed none of these things, and smiled on at the recollection of the incident he had noticed in the street back in City Star.

VICTORY FOR YANKEE CLUFF

How Turkish Officials Were Induced to Consent to Establishment of Robert College.

Robert college, near Constantinople, was founded by the munificence of a New York merchant, Christopher Robert, some sixty years ago, to extend and perpetuate the educational work of the American missionary, Dr. Hamlin.

The project did not commend itself to the Turkish authorities. Dr. Hamlin was allowed to purchase a site, but permission to build was refused for nearly twenty years, despite the protests of the United States government.

At last the projectors gained their end by bluff. An American battleship visited Constantinople, and they induced the commander, when dining with some of the chief officers of state, to demand why permission was not granted to erect the college. As anticipated, this was taken as a new hint from the United States, backed by the sending of a warship, and the long-desired permit was received within 24 hours.

Cupid Has Free Hand in Borneo.

The man of Borneo believes that the best way to show the lady of his heart that he loves her is by helping her with her daily tasks. After the day's work is done the suitor goes to his own home for supper, but returns to his sweetheart's hut.

On the night that the young swain wishes to ask the young woman to become his wife he brings a plentiful supply of sirih-leaf and betel-nut with him, which he gallantly offers her. If she accepts the offering, preparations for the marriage begin immediately. Fowls are killed, rice is boiled, and a great feast is served.

But if the young woman does not wish the suitor for a husband, she arises with great dignity and says: "Please blow up the fire!"

The freedom which is given to Cupid is about the only trace of civilization among the natives of Borneo.

Some Definitions.

"Two or three" always means at least three, or three and upward. "One or two" seldom if ever means one. "In a minute" means anywhere from five to fifty minutes. "That reminds me of a story" means, "Now, you keep quiet while I tell my joke." "I hold no brief for" means: "I am now going to defend—" "While I do not wish to appear critical" means, "But I am going to have my say out, anyhow." "Of course it's no business of mine" means, "I am simply devoured with curiosity." "My conduct calls for no apology and needs no explanation" is the usual introduction for an apology or an explanation. "No one could possibly have mistaken my meaning" is what we say when some one has mistaken it.

Football Then and Now.

If you think that football is a rougher game now than in the past, read this paragraph written in 1582: "As concerning football playing, it may be called rather a friendly fight than a play or recreation; a bloody, murdering practice than a fellowly sport or pastime. For both not every one lie in wait for his adversary, seeking to overthrow him and to pitch him on his nose, though it be upon hard stones . . . or what place soever it be he careth not, so he have him down. And he that can serve the most in this fashion, he is counted the only fellow; and who but he." —Boston Transcript.

French Thrift.

The explanation of the surprising achievement of the French government in financing reconstruction and converting its paper currency gradually into interest-bearing debt is found, according to the London Statist, in the remarkable thrift of the French people and their disposition, since the war, to invest their savings in home loans, especially when issued or guaranteed by the government. In 1919 the people subscribed for 27,000,000,000 francs in domestic loans, mostly governmental; in 1920 for 47,000,000,000 and in 1921 for 30,000,000,000.—Thrift Magazine.

AMPLE HOUSING FACILITIES.

Farmers of Pennsylvania attending the Seventh Annual State Farm Products Show, to be held in Harrisburg, January 23-26, will find ample provisions made for their housing and entertainment while in the city. The housing bureau of the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce, co-operating with the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, has listed over 1,500 rooms that are available in private residence in the city, and these will be turned over to the visitors.

In addition to the rooms in private residences, the hotel accommodations in Harrisburg are excellent and the farmer and his family can attend the show for the entire week, confident that ample provisions have been made for his housing and for his meals.

A most important feature is the fact that there will be no profiteering but rates for meals and lodging will be kept on a normal basis.

HARRY HAND LOCATED.

The Bradford police force was successful Friday in locating Harry Hand of that city who disappeared from his home town on the night of December 30. Hand has been located in Conneaut, O., by the police of that city. Hand is perfectly all right in every way. He simply was stricken with the wanderlust and boarded a train and landed in Conneaut. He is employed as brakeman by the Nickle Plate railroad, having a run between Conneaut and Buffalo and lives at the Occidental hotel in Conneaut.

BABE ANSWERS SUMMONS.

Announcement was made in last week's issue of The Miner of the birth of a baby girl to Mr. and Mrs. J. Lavee Allen of Kirksville, Md., December 31, 1922. The parents were very proud of the advent of the little one but due to a congenital heart defect, the babe died on Saturday, January 13. A short service was held at the home, attended by fraternities and clubs in connection with the American School of Osteopathy, of which Mr. Allen is a student. Mrs. Allen was formerly Miss Edna Comes of Smethport.

INSTRUCTS PUPILS.

Doctor Allen of Harrisburg, head of the health department of public instruction, gave the pupils of the local grade and High schools some valuable information pertaining to health work, Monday, showing them how to make for health and strength by means of calisthenics. With Smethport for his headquarters, Doctor Allen will remain in McKean county throughout the week. He visited the schools of Eldred, Tuesday, and those of Mt. Jewett, Wednesday.

TWO DELCO SYSTEMS FOR SALE

Bids will be received by the County Commissioners at their office in the Court House, Smethport, until noon Monday, Jan. 29th, for two 120-volt Delco Systems, 5 H. P. engine complete; also 1-8 H. P. motor and one sweeper. Right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

O. S. Gahagan,
A. J. Bond,
Joseph P. O'Connor
County Commissioners.

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AGED WOMAN DIES.

Mrs. Annie Barry, aged 77 years, one-time resident of the Kasson vicinity, well known and highly steemed by many of the older residents of McKean county, died at her late home in Russell, Warren county, Pa., Friday, January 12. Mrs. Barry was the oldest child of the late Orrin and Miranda Perry, pioneers of the Kasson neighborhood, and was born in Steuben county, New York, July 14, 1846.

BOOTLEGGER SENTENCED.

Alfred Mays, arrested with Jack Altman and Allen Daniels in Smethport some weeks ago on a charge of bootlegging, entered a plea of guilty in Argument court last Thursday and was sentenced to six months in jail and to pay a fine of $500 and costs of prosecution. Altman and Daniels are at liberty under $1,500 bail to appear at the next regular term of criminal court.

RUMOR IS DENIED.

Although close political friends of Chief of Police Harry Solt and Officer Charles Foust of Bradford had them slated as candidates for the nomination for sheriff, the Bradford Star for last Monday, following an interview with Messrs. Solt and Foust, made strenuous denial of their candidacies.

JANUARY CLEARANCE SALE

Thursday, Jan. 11 to Saturday, Jan. 20

JUST A FEW MORE DAYS OF OUR JANUARY BARGAIN SALE, IT IS A PRICE CUTTING, STOCK REDUCING SALE IN EVERY DEPARTMENT, WE NOT ONLY MARK DOWN WINTER GOODS, BUT YOU MAY PURCHASE ANY MERCHANDISE IN OUR STORE EXCEPT PATTERNS AT JANUARY SALE PRICE.

REDFERN COATS AND SUITS.
Less than half price.

$ 2.50 Plaid Back coating, size 16, Sale Price $15.00
1.50 Velour, size 16, Sale Price .. $ 9.50
$ 50 Plush, size 46, Sale Price $7.50
$ 0 Plush, size 16½, Sale Price .. $9.50
$16.75 Plush, size 16½, Sale Price .. $6.50
$22.50 Polaire, size 18, Sale Price .. $9.50
$22.50 Plush, size 38, Sale Price .. $7.50
$19.50 Velour, size 38, Sale Price .. $9.75
$22.50 Plush, size 40, Sale Price .. $11.25
$18.50 Plush, size 42, Sale Price .. $9.25

CHILDREN'S COATS.

$12.50 Polaire Coat, size 6, Sale Price $5.00
$9.00 Velour Coat, size 9, Sale Price $3.50
$14.50 Polaire Coat, size 10, S. P. .. $7.25
$7.98, Polaire Coat, size 10, S. P. .. $3.50
$16.75 Herringbone Coat, size 12, Sale Price $7.50
$15.50 Velour Coat, size 12, S. P. .. $6.50
$13.75 Polaire Coat, size 12, Sale Price $5.50
$15.50 Velour Coat, size 14, Sale Price $6.50
$15.00 Plush Coat, size 14, Sale

SUITS.

$22.50 Tan Suits, size 18, Sale Price $9.50
$35.00 Checked Velour, size 18½ Sale Price. $8.50
$38.50 Covert Poiret, size 38, Sale Price $14.50
$28.50 Navy Tricotine, size 38, Sale Price. $11.50
$27.50 Navy Serge, size 38, Sale Price $9.50
$29.50 Navy Serge, size 40, Sale Price $11.50
$39.50 Navy Serge, Men's Wear, size 44½ Sale Price $11.50
Price $4.50
$7.75, Velour Coat, size 14, Sale Price $3.50

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VENICE IN WESTERN WORLD

City on Islands of Borneo in Many Respects a Counterpart of Her Eastern Sister.

One of the unique cities of the world is the city of Brunei, a couple of miles up the river of that name on the Island of Borneo, known as the Venice of the East to dwellers of that land, but known not at all to the outside world.

It is built entirely on piles placed over the river, and stretches for a couple of miles on each side of the river. It is really a lot of little towns in one, with a population of 10,000, mostly Malays.

The respective trades are apportioned each to an area of their own; thus you go to one part of the town to see the metal workers and the merchants. Streets of bamboo intersect the rows of dwellings. Upon the verandas children entirely naked play or fish or dive into the river below. Children here are expert swimmers by the time they are four years old.

The city market is the only one of its kind in the world, for all marketing is done in boats on a certain portion of the river set aside for the purpose. Here daily the people of the town meet the people from the jungle and exchange manufactured goods for fruit, vegetables and game.

TURKS HOLD TOMB OF EVE

Legend Tells Us That Mother of the Human Race Must Have Been of Generous Proportions.

Eve, the mother of the human race, is buried, according to a very old legend, at a spot about a mile north of Jedda in Arabia.

Her reputed tomb is of enormous length, being nearly four hundred feet long by ten broad. It is now in the possession of the Mohammedans, who do not permit any Christians to enter it.

The human race must have altered very much since the world was created, for, according to tradition, Eve was reputed to be 118 feet high.

What a good thing for Adam there were no dressmakers' bills in those old days, or he would have found clothing his spouse a costly matter.

Adam is said to be buried in Ceylon, but Eve spent the last years of her life at Jedda. At Mecca there is a very old temple, which is supposed to have been built by Adam himself.—London Answers.

Orange Blossoms for the Bride.

The ancient mandarins of China, the swarthy queens of the Nile, the fiery Saracens, and romantic French, all knew and cherished the little white flowers of the orange tree, and with them decked out their brides thousands of years ago, says a complimentary brochure issued by a Detroit jewelry manufacturing concern.

In China, the orange has, from time immemorial, been an emblem of good luck, and is freely used to present to friends and guests. The orange is said to have been first brought by the Portuguese from China in 1547, nevertheless this fruit is supposed to have been the golden apple which grew in the garden of Hesperides. The golden apple was presented to the Queen of Heaven upon her marriage with Jupiter.

In Crete, bride and bridegroom, according to Folkard, are sprinkled with orange flower water, and in Sardinia oranges are hung upon the horns of the oxen that draw the nuptial carriage.

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Pocono Borax Soap, 6 bars 25c
Regular price 5c a bar.
Fancy Pink Salmon, 2 cans 23c
Regular price 14c can.
Fancy Blue Rose Rice, 4 lbs 25c
Regular price 7½ cents lb.

Domino and Federal Syrup 10c
Fancy Tub Butter 55c
Sour Pickles large jar 20c
Mothers and Quaker Oats 10c
Macaroni Bulk 10c
Pocona Coffee our best. 35c
Rolled Oats Bulk 05c
Cream of Wheat 23c
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BEER AND ONIONS FOR GHOST

Egyptians Also Repeated Magic Phrases to Change Physical Nature of Food for Spirits.

"The Egyptians believe even to this day that every man has a 'ghost,'" says Prof. George Reisner, when he came back from Egypt with the Harvard expedition.

"Statues of several thousand years ago picture the Egyptian man with his ghost. But the woman wasn't considered important enough to have one. She was the man's wife, and that was considered sufficient honor for her.

"The men took very good care of their ghosts. At regular intervals they went to the room where the ghost was supposed to live and placed offerings there for him to eat. These consisted of bread and onions and beer. It was necessary to repeat some magic phrase which had the effect of changing the physical nature of the food, so that it would be fit for consumption by a spiritual being.

"When a man died he became identified with his ghost. On the inside of the Egyptian's coffin a black zigzag line was traced to represent the course which the deceased must take through the underworld. At each turn of the path was a warning of the danger to be looked for at that particular point and directions for avoiding it."—Detroit News.

Death by electricity is caused from paralysis of the muscles, including the involuntary muscles of the heart, lungs, etc., as well as the destruction to the mental and nervous system of the body, according to George M. Ole, power representative of a large electric power company, writing in a recent issue of Electrical World. It has been found, continues this authority, through exhaustive research work, that a current of one ampere passing through the brain and other vital organs of the body will in most cases produce death if allowed to act for only a short period of time, and it is therefore evident that it is the amperage, together with the energy dissipated in the body, that actually destroys life. On the other hand, the element of voltage enters, inasmuch as the resisting power of the human body is very high, and it requires a voltage comparatively large or small, depending entirely upon the resistance and contacts, to force this amount of current through a circuit in which the body and its contacts constitute the resistance. The resistance of the human body is a variable factor and depends largely upon the applied voltage, inasmuch as the resistance measured from hand to hand with precision instruments on potentials not in excess of ten volts will show approximately 40,000 ohms, while if this potential is increased to 110 volts the resistance breaks down to some extent and becomes nearly 10,000 ohms.